

WEST GOSHEN



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Learn How Deer Overpopulation Affects You



The West Chester Area Council of Governments (WCACOG) will host a deer management public education forum on Wednesday, November 16, 2005 at 7:00 PM in the Henderson High School

Auditorium. The goal of this session is for experts in deer management to share practical insights into the very serious issue of deer overpopulation and its attendant problems with residents.

Speakers Include:

■ The Honorable State Representative Chris Ross of Pennsylvania's 158th District will be the introductory speaker, and will address deer overpopulation in the state and in our region, and measures the State Legislature has taken to address the problem.

■ Keith Mullin, Wildlife Conservation Officer for the Pennsylvania Game Commission, will provide an update on efforts to reduce the deer population and discuss hunting laws.

■ Tim Smail, wildlife conservation biologist and representative of the nationwide Quality Deer Management Association, will focus on the relationships between hunters and property owners.

■ Dr. Richard Lighty, former Director of Research at Longwood Gardens, will offer advice on the selection and protection of home landscaping.

■ William R. Hewton, a former Kennet Township Supervisor and member of that township's Deer Management Committee, will speak about the municipal perspective and role of local government in deer management.

■ The Lyme Disease Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania will also participate in this session, with tips on disease prevention, recognition, and medical treatment.

This workshop is free of charge. For more information, call 610-436-5108.

The West Chester Area Council of Governments consists of East Bradford Township, East Goshen Township, Thorndale Township, West Chester Borough, West Goshen Township, and Westtown Township. More information about WCACOG is available on the West Goshen Township website at www.westgoshen.org. ★

Pumpkins, Hayrides, and Scarecrows: A Harvest Celebration

West Goshen's annual fall celebration of Harvest Day takes place at Coopersmith Park (Spring Lane, next to Margarita's Restaurant) on Sunday, October 30th between 2:00 and 4:00 PM.

Take a hayride through the woods to a pumpkin patch where children can pick a pumpkin to decorate. Bring old clothes and enter the scarecrow making contest (straw will be provided). Win prizes by guessing the weight of the Township's largest pumpkin. Enjoy apple cider, hot cocoa, and light refreshments.

Children may choose to come in costume for the day's festivities. Members of "Makin' Music" will be on hand to entertain families throughout the afternoon.

Harvest Day is FREE OF CHARGE and is limited to residents of West Goshen Township. Preregister at www.westgoshen.org. Guests are encouraged to bring a donation for Chester County Cares in the form of soap, diapers, toilet paper, laundry detergent, toothpaste, or shampoo. Harvest Day is a rain or shine event. Plan now to join the fun! ★



Children can pick pumpkins from the pumpkin patch at Coopersmith Park during Harvest Day.

Bulk Trash Now Collected Every Thursday

Large bulk items will now be collected every Thursday. Prior to this time, bulk pickup had been limited to the first Thursday of each month. Households will still be limited to one bulk item per pickup. Remember that refrigerators, freezers, or air conditioners must have a sticker indicating that the freon has already been removed before these items may be left for pickup. For more information about bulk trash pickup, check out the Waste and Recycling Guide inside. ★

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REPORT

The following plans have been approved for development:

- 20,000 square foot warehouse building addition for Beemer Precision located at 1040 Andrew Drive
- 5,600 square foot mechanical room for Cephalon Inc., located on the north side of Brandywine Parkway, east of the Route 202 Bypass

The following plans are currently under review:

- Lincoln Independence Park, 831 Lincoln Avenue – proposed 212,810 square foot office complex

- 136,575 square foot office/warehouse building located on the north side of Hagerty Boulevard
- Proposed 16,800 square foot office/warehouse building for O'Rourke Steel located at 992 S. Bolmar Street
- Lot line change for 1001 N. New Street
- Total of 22,145 sq. ft. to be subdivided for condo/office/warehouse use by the DeAntonio Group of Delaware, 1041 Andrew Drive
- Proposed 6,632 square foot office building located at 115 Westtown Road

- 2,943 square foot office/bank for Fulton Financial Bank to be located at the intersection of E. Strasburg Road and Route #3

Recent Zoning Changes

On July 27, 2005, the West Goshen Board of Supervisors adopted an ordinance which would create a new R-3. A single family attached dwelling overlay district which permits single family attached dwellings on certain parcels of property in the existing R-3 zoning district subject to specific area and bulk requirements and design standards.

On August 10, 2005, a consolidated ordinance was passed to allow outdoor dining as an accessory use to a stand alone restaurant in the C-2, C-4 and C-5 zoning districts; noncommercial athletic courts as an accessory use to a single family dwelling in the residential zoning districts subject to specific criteria; to add the definition for "Convenience Store" and to permit such a use in the C-1 zoning district by conditional use approval from the Board of Supervisors; to add the definition for "Pharmacy/Drug Store" and to permit such use in the C-1 and C-2 zoning districts by conditional use approval; to add specific regulations for a Convenience Store and Pharmacy/Drug Store; and to amend the use regulations for the C-5 district to remove automobile body repair and automobile repair shops as permitted uses and to allow such uses in the I-2 districts.

On September 14, 2005, the West Goshen Board of Supervisors approved an amendment to the revised West Goshen Zoning Ordinance of 1990, specifically the West Goshen Township Zoning Map, by rezoning two adjoining parcels previously zoned C-2 and C-1R respectively to C-1 zoning. The two parcels are located at the intersection of Phoenixville Pike and Boot Road. ★

township information

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6 year elected term

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Non-profit group assisting the Park and Recreation Board; meets quarterly
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AUDITORS

Louis J. Mayer
Jacob W. Bowman, Jr.
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TAX COLLECTOR

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TOWNSHIP PARKS

Barker Park
Falcon Lane by Westtown Way
Coopersmith Park
Spring Lane, off West Chester Pike
Hallowell Park
404 North Five Points Road
West Goshen Community Park
Fern Hill & North Five Points Roads

Thanks for Your Support!

The West Goshen Township Park and Recreation Board and The Friends of West Goshen Parks, Inc., would like to publicly recognize the following individuals, businesses, and organizations for their support of our Park and Recreation programs during the year 2005:

Summer Concert Series

Platinum Level Sponsors: Commerce Bank, Goshen Manor Apartments/Goshen Terrace Apartments, Park Valley Associates, and QVC.

Silver Level Sponsor: Faulkner Auto of West Chester, PECO Energy, and West Goshen Automotive and Fleet Services.

Community Day

Support provided by: AAA Mid-Atlantic, ACAC Fitness Center, Acme of West Goshen, Aloha Café and Bakery, The Athlete's Closet, Baxter's, Calista Grand Salon and Spa, Dr. R. Bruce Catando, O.D., Colonial Village Meat Market, Commerce Bank, Englund's Apparel of West Chester, Eric MacCluen Golf Center, Goshen Manor Apartments and Goshen Terrace Apartments, Gramm's Kitchen, The Greenery, The Ice Cream Company, Ice Line, Jane Chalfont, K & G Pizza, Kildare's, La Difference Salon and Day Spa, McDonald's of Parkway Center, M.S. Yearsley and Sons True Value, Office Depot, OH BABY, The Palace Bowling and Entertainment Center, Parkway Deli, Penwick, Peter's Salon and European Spa, Piatto Pizza, Play Nice, Rubinstein's, Signs Now, Starbucks Coffee, Stuart Jewelers, Thompson's Meat Market, and Viva! Boutique and Gifts. ★

The West Goshen Park and Recreation Department announces the return of its popular trips to New York City for the holiday season.

On **December 3, 2005**, tour New York on your own. For just \$25, avoid driving through New York traffic and take a luxury coach to Times Square. Spend the afternoon shopping, seeing a show, or dining in the Big Apple.

If you want an all-inclusive trip, then the **December 12th** trip to Radio City Music Hall is for you. The motor-coach brings you to Radio City Music Hall, where you can enjoy the world-famous Holiday Spectacular. Then, after three hours of shopping or sightseeing on your own, enjoy dinner at Times Square's Bubba



Gump Shrimp Company. \$120 per person includes round-trip transportation, a ticket to the show, dinner, a map of New York, and driver and server tips.

These trips have been among the most popular offered by the West Goshen Township Park and Recreation Department. Seating on the buses is limited, and registrations are available strictly on a first-come first served basis.

For information about either of these trips or to print registration forms from your computer, visit www.westgoshen.org or contact Park and Recreation Director Ken Lehr at 610-696-5266 or via email at klehr@westgoshen.org. ★

Great Times in the Big Apple

The West Goshen Fall Movie Series concludes with a free showing of "The Wizard of Oz" at the J. Leon Hagerty Amphitheater in West Goshen Community Park at 7:30 PM on Saturday, October 15th. Admission is FREE. Guests are encouraged to bring a dry good item (soap, toilet paper, diapers, etc.) for Chester County Cares. ★



Public Township Meetings

Board of Supervisors (4:00 PM, second and fourth Wednesday of each month, unless otherwise noted): November 9 and 16, December 14, January 11 and 25. In addition, The Board of Supervisors will hold the Annual Township Organizational meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 2006 at 5:00 PM. The Board of Supervisors will only meet once in the month of December.

Park and Recreation Board (7:00 PM, third Wednesday of each month, except in December): November 16; January 18.

Planning Commission (7:00 PM third Tuesday of each month): November 15; December 20; January 17.

Sewer Authority (7:30 PM, second Wednesday of each month): November 9; December 14; January 11.

Zoning Hearing Board (7:00 PM, Thursday after first Board of Supervisors' Meeting each month, unless otherwise noted): November 10; December 15; January 12.

All meetings are held in the Township Administration building except the Sewer Authority, which is conducted at the Sewer Treatment Plant at 848 South Concord Road. There is a public comment period at each meeting. Additional Zoning Hearing Board Meetings may be added as needed. West Goshen Township publishes approved minutes, agenda, and updates and changes to public meeting on the Township's website, www.westgoshen.org. ★

As a service to the residents and businesses of West Goshen Township, the West Goshen Township Newsletter includes a Trash and Recycling Guide in the spring and fall issues.



Christmas Tree Disposal

Christmas trees will be accepted to be mulched at the West Goshen Municipal Complex from January 3 through January 18, 2006. Remove all tinsel, decorations, and plastic bags from trees. Wreaths will not be accepted.

Remember—mulching your tree saves valuable landfill space and takes advantage of a natural, renewable resource.

Leaf Pick-up: Leaves will be picked up on the following Saturdays: **November 5th, November 19th, and December 10th.** Leaves can be placed in biodegradable bags or trash cans. If using plastic bags, provide a container in which plastic may be left so they could be used again. There is no limit to the number of bags.

Residential Trash Pickup in West Goshen Township

This waste and recycling guide contains information about West Goshen Township's residential trash and recycling pickup. Residential establishments with four or more units and commercial, municipal, and institutional establishments shall contract at their sole cost and expense for the collection of waste and recyclables. Such establishments may select any collector/hauler licensed by West Goshen Township. Information about recycling can be found on the following page.

Bulk Trash: Beginning in October 2005, bulk trash will be picked up each Thursday. A bulk item is an item which two people can lift. Refrigerators, air conditioners, and other freon containing items must be tagged that freon has been removed. No building materials, railroad ties, automotive parts, or tires will be picked up. If unsure whether or not your bulk trash item will be collected, call the trash hauler, BFI, at 610-869-2222.

Household hazardous waste items listed below may not be disposed of with household garbage, but may be brought to hazardous waste disposal sites which will be listed in the Spring 2006 Township Newsletter. Commercial and industrial entities are excluded from this program.

ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

PAINT PRODUCTS

Oil-Based Paints
Paint Thinners/Stains
Varnish/Shellac
Strippers/Removers
Adhesives/Solvents

OUTDOOR

Pool Chemicals
Weed Killers
Septic Tank Degreasers
Asphalt Sealers
Caulking Compounds
Joint Compounds
Roof Cements

AUTOMOTIVE

Grease/Rust
Fuel Additives
Carburetor Cleaners
Transmission/Brake Fluid
Antifreeze
Gasoline
Empty Motor Oil Bottles

HOUSEHOLD

Drain Openers
Rug/Wood/Metal Cleaners
Mothballs/Flakes
Spot Remover
Household Batteries
Kerosene
Smoke Alarms

OTHER

Gas Cylinders max. 20#s
Acids/Caustics/Solvents
Flammable Oxidizers
Lead/Mercury/Asbestos
Pesticides/Poisons
Organic Peroxide
Reactive Metals

UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

Infectious/Medical Waste
Explosives/Ammunition
Dioxin
Latex/Water Based Paints
Pressurized CFAs & HCFs
Commercial/Industrial Waste
Unidentified Waste
*Tires
*Car Batteries
*Used Motor Oil

*Call 610-344-6692 for recycling locations for automotive related materials or visit the Chester County web site, www.chesco.org/health/recycling.html

Your Guide to Recycling in West Goshen Township

WHO MUST RECYCLE?

- Students/staff of both public and private primary, secondary, and post-secondary schools
- Residents of hospitals, dormitories, and nursing homes
- Employees of institutions, public agencies, commercial entities, and industry
- Owners of restaurants, shopping centers, stores, office buildings, and factories
- Persons living in single family homes, condominiums, townhouses, or apartments

WHO MUST HAVE A RECYCLE PROGRAM?

- Commercial Properties: stores, markets, office buildings, restaurants, and shopping centers
- Industrial Properties: factories, foundries, processing plants, and warehouses
- Institutions: hospitals, nursing homes, private and public schools and universities
- Public agencies: government agencies, authorities and councils
- Multi-unit residences: apartment buildings with four or more units and condominium associations

Each owner, operator, or administrator of one of the above mentioned categories is required

to provide to each occupant, employee, patron, or resident written material describing its recycling program. Written instructions should clearly describe what materials are to be recycled, how the materials are to be prepared, and how the collection system works. The owner, operator, or administrator must provide for collection of the recyclable materials at least once per month.

The recycling containers must be easily accessible and suitable for the type of material that is being collected. Educational facilities should provide for separation and collection of recyclable materials in classrooms, administrative offices, cafeterias, and dormitories.

WHAT MATERIALS MUST BE RECYCLED?

Commercial, municipal, and institutional establishments must provide, at a minimum, for the separation and recycling of the following materials:

- Computer paper and white bond/copier/letterhead paper
- Corrugated paper
- Aluminum, steel, and bimetallic cans

Multi-unit Residences (apartment buildings and condominiums) must provide for the separation of and recycling of at least three of the following materials:

- Clear and colored glass
- Aluminum, steel, and bimetallic cans
- #1 and #2 plastics
- Mixed paper including newspaper, junk mail, telephone books, catalogs, white paper, magazines, flattened boxes which do not come in direct contact with food, and non-corrugated cardboard

Check with your apartment complex or condominium association to determine which materials to recycle.

Single Unit Residences must recycle, at a minimum:

- Green, brown, and clear glass
- Aluminum, steel, and bimetallic cans
- #1 and #2 plastics
- Mixed paper including newspaper, junk mail, telephone books, catalogs, white paper, magazines, and flattened boxes which do not come in direct contact with food

Paper products must be tied or bundled in paper bags. Corrugated cardboard (optional for recycling) must be bundled into one foot by one foot units. All other items must be placed in a West Goshen Township plastic recycle bucket or a trash can with a Township recycle sticker attached to it. Recycle stickers are free and may be obtained from the Township. If you have moved into a new construction, you may obtain a recycle bucket at no cost at the Township Administration Building. Twenty gallon recy-

cling buckets may also be purchased for \$7 each from the Township. Mark each bucket with your street and house number. Place at curbside before 6:00 AM or the night before. Residential recycling is collected on Mondays, or the following Tuesday if Monday is a holiday.

For more information on the recycling requirements, contact 610-696-5266, ext. 4304 or twp@westgoshen.org.

Each issue, we will bring you safety tips from West Goshen Township's own Officer Friendly, Corporal Robert Holland.

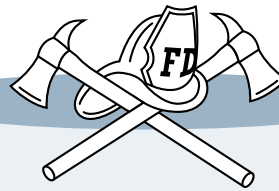
Safety Tips from Officer Friendly

Did you know that West Goshen Township has a curfew? Chapter 34 of the West Goshen Township Code establishes that it is unlawful for anyone under 18 years old to remain on any streets or in public places or establishments between the hours of 10:00 PM and 5:00 AM.

The curfew law does allow for the following exceptions:

- The curfew does not apply to anyone under 18 accompanied by a parent or legal guardian 21 years old or older.
- Anyone under 18 whose work requires him or her to exceed the curfew hours may do so provided that person carries identification and evidence in writing of work requirements.
- Between June 15 and September 15, the hours of curfew on Friday and Saturday evenings are 11:00 PM through 5:00 AM.

Minors who violate curfew, parents who allow minors to violate curfew, and operators of establishments who knowingly permit minors under the age of 18 to remain on their premises during curfew hours may be prosecuted and face fines of \$100 to \$1,000 per day of violation plus court costs. ★



Fire Marshal Report: Burning Yard Waste

West Goshen Township allows for the burning of twigs and tree limbs in an enclosed container, incinerator, fire-place, or grill between the hours of 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM. Burnings for the purpose of cooking food for human consumption are exempt from these hours.

Burnings are restricted to twigs and tree limbs. It is unlawful to burn other materials, including (but not limited to) leaves, brush, lumber, building materials, and construction waste materials.

Burnings confined in enclosed containers must take place at least 10 feet from any building or structure, unless the building or structure contains a fireplace, incinerator, or grill meeting the requirements of the West Goshen Township Building Code. Burnings



may not be left unattended.

Open fires not enclosed in a container are only permitted when the closest point of the fire is at least 20 feet from a building, structure, trees, shrubs, and other combustible materials, wind speeds are less than 15 miles per hour, and an accessible water source and sufficient hose length is available to reach the core of the burn area. Open fires may not be left unattended.

Yard waste burnings may be restricted or banned by the West Goshen Board of Supervisors if they pose a serious threat due to drought or other hazardous conditions.

Any fire on public or private property may be extinguished by the local fire company **with or without consent of the property owner** if the fire is deemed dangerous by the West Goshen Township Fire Marshal, a West Goshen Township Police Officer, or a Township Codes Enforcement Officer.

Fire Marshal Reports are presented by West Goshen Township Fire Marshal Andrea Testa. ★

How to Dispose of Household Health Care Waste

The Chester County Health Department recommends the following steps be taken when disposing of items that have come in contact with blood.

1. Place all needles, lancets, syringes, and other sharp objects in a puncture-resistant, hard plastic or metal container. An empty detergent bottle with a screw-on cap or an empty coffee can will do.
2. Close the container with its original lid and secure with heavy-duty tape.
3. Place the tightly sealed container in a paper bag and discard it with your household trash.

4. Place non-sharp home health care wastes in a doubled securely fastened opaque plastic trash bag before putting them in your garbage can with other wastes.

Needles, lancets, syringes, and other sharp objects should be disinfected with a solution of 1 teaspoon of bleach in 1/2 gallon of water prior to disposal. Household health care wastes should not be placed with recyclables. Some pharmacies may sell specially designed containers for homeowners to use to dispose of household health care waste. ★

"Part of Our Community" highlights local businesses, organizations, and people who make a difference in the community. "Serving with Honor" profiles military personnel from West Goshen Township serving at home or overseas. To submit ideas for these columns, please email Newsletter Editor Ken Lehr at klehr@westgoshen.org.



Part of Our Community

"We give people hope."

Helen Heidelbaugh, President and CEO of Community Volunteers in Medicine (CVIM) emphasizes the importance of health care for Chester County's working poor.



The County has 45,000 residents who earn a gross income of 200% of the federal poverty level or less and are not eligible for Medical Assistance, Medicare, Veteran's Benefits, or the Children's Health Insurance Program. For these families, Community Volunteers in Medicine offers the only affordable way to visit dentists and physicians or to acquire desperately needed prescriptions.

CVIM has been serving Chester County residents since 1997. In August 2001, the nonprofit organization moved to its current home on Lawrence Drive near West Goshen Community Park.

More than 185 volunteers, including physicians, dentists, dental hygienists,

registered nurses, nurse practitioners, social workers, and administrative workers offer their services to CVIM. In addition, students from local medical and dental schools gain practical experience at CVIM while providing vital services to County residents in need. CVIM has also established a network of doctors offering services for patients needing surgery or specialty care not available at the CVIM offices.

All of CVIM's clients must be currently employed, earn less than twice the federal poverty level, and not have any health insurance coverage. According to Heidelbaugh, "Their paystub counts as their insurance card." Patients pay whatever voluntary contributions they can. Last year, patient contributions totaled \$45,500 towards CVIM's 1.4 million dollar budget.

Overall, 62% of funding comes from individuals, 21% comes from foundations, 13% comes from corporations, and 4% comes from other sources.

CVIM strives to fill a gap in health care by providing services not offered by government agencies or other nonprofits. In 2004, these services included more than 5,000 dental visits and an equal number of primary medical care visits and the dispensation of more than 25,000 prescriptions. For people needing medical, legal, or other assistance not provided by CVIM, Community Volunteers in Medicine provides a referral to other service providers. Patients are often referred to CVIM through homeless centers or other social

service providers, schools, churches, or the County Departments of Health and Welfare.

Helen Heidelbaugh points out the CVIM can always use the assistance of doctors, dentists, and other health care workers or retired professionals wanting to volunteer their time. Volunteers fluent in Spanish are especially needed. She encourages West Goshen residents to visit www.cvim.org or visit their offices at 300-B Lawrence Drive (between Mauger Oil and Moonbounce Adventures) to learn more about how to make a contribution or volunteer time towards the mission of "Providing healthcare, hope, and healing." ★



Serving with Honor

Lance Corporal Robert M. DiTeodoro

of the Marines has been assigned to Fallujah, Iraq for a seven month tour as a radio operator in a combat logistics battalion supporting the Marine infantry beginning September 2, 2005. Lance Corporal DiTeodoro graduated from West Chester East High School in 2002 and joined the Marine Corps Reserve in June 2003. He served at the Marine Corps Reserve Base in Allentown, Pennsylvania, before spending the past summer in advanced training in Alabama, North Carolina, and California.



Rob has an older brother Rich who recently enlisted in the U.S. Navy, and a younger brother Jeff who began studies at Penn State University this September. ★



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Closings: Township offices will be closed on Thursday, November 24th, Friday November 25th, Monday, December 26th, and Monday, January 2, 2006. In addition, Township offices will close at noon on Friday, December 23rd.

There will be no trash or bulk pickup on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 24th). **Regular and bulk trash will be picked up the next day, Friday, November 25th.** Because Christmas and New Year's Day fall on weekends, these holidays will not affect trash pickup. ★

Fran Halvorsen Remembered

Longtime West Goshen Township employee Frances Perry Halvorsen died after a long illness on August 25, 2005. Fran worked for the Township from October 1968 through January 1987, and had fulfilled temporary assignments with the Township after that time. She held numerous job titles for the Township, including Bookkeeper.

Her many civic involvements included membership in the Monday Afternoon Club of Malvern; the GFWC, at which she served as president; the West Chester Chapter Order of the Eastern Star, at which her titles included Worthy Matron and president of the Eastern Star Auxiliary; the West Whiteland Auxiliary to Chester County Hospital, where she served as president; and the Tall Trees Ladies Auxiliary, for whom she served as treasurer.

Fran will be fondly remembered by all who have had the pleasure of working with her! ★

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Have a Happy and Safe Halloween

Make sure your children have a safe, fun Halloween by following these guidelines:

- Walk; don't run.
- Avoid any mask that obstructs a child's view.
- Choose flame-retardant costumes and accessories.
- Approach only houses that are well lit.
- Stay in a familiar neighborhood.
- Carry a flashlight with fresh batteries or a glow stick while trick-or-treating.
- Avoid costumes that can not be seen by drivers at night. Reflective tape helps make costumes more visible.
- Make sure costumes do not pose a tripping hazard. High heels, floppy shoes, and long dresses should be avoided.
- An adult should always accompany young children. Older children should not go outside alone.
- Do not eat any treats until a parent or guardian inspects them.
- Carry a reflective bag for treats.

West Goshen Township does not designate a Halloween celebration date for children residing in the Township. Residents are encouraged to use their discretion about the date and time for trick-or-treating. ★