

WEST GOSHEN



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Free Services Offered by Your West Goshen Police Department

West Goshen Township has one of the most highly trained police forces in Chester County. In addition to patrolling, solving crime, and ensuring safe traffic, the Police Department offers a number of free services to Township residents.

■ Prescription Medication

Collection Box: Expired or unused prescription medication can pose a hazard to curious children or pets or people looking to get a cheap but dangerous high. Placing these drugs in the trash will not remove their destructive potential, and flushing them down the toilet may contaminate the water supply.

According to West Goshen Police Captain Gregory Stone, "We are seeing a big increase in prescription drug abuse by teenagers, and we encourage you to get these prescription drugs out of your home."

Thanks to a grant the Chester County District Attorney's Association acquired, the West Goshen Police Department has a dropoff box in the lobby of the Police Building where these drugs may be deposited for disposal. The drugs will then be safely incinerated. Medicines may be dropped off whenever the Police Building lobby is open, Mondays through Fridays 7:00 AM until 11:00 PM.



■ **Child Safety Gun Locks:** According to the study "Firearm Deaths and Death Rates, 1999-2010," 785 children age fourteen and under died from unintentional firearm deaths during those twelve years. To help encourage gun safety in homes, The West Goshen Police Department has free child-safety gun locks available to Township residents thanks to Project ChildSafe, a program administered by the National Shooting Sports Foundation and funded by the U.S. Department of Justice.

"It is a program that can literally save lives," says West Goshen Police Chief Joseph Gleason.

West Goshen residents may request gun locks at the dispatch window of the West Goshen Police Building during regular building hours, Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM until 11:00 PM. In addition, gun owners may pick up free literature about firearms safety from the Police Department.

■ **Used Cell Phones:** Did you know that cell phones, even without a service plan, can dial 9-1-1 in the event of an emergency? You can put your old cell phone to good use. The West Goshen Police Department collects old cellular phones to be donated to a local women's shelter so they may have access to emergency services when

needed. Just drop off any used cell phones and accessories at the West Goshen Police Department any Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM until 11:00 PM.

■ **Juvenile Relations:** In addition to visits to local schools, the Juvenile and Community Relations Division also provides a Pledge of Safety Certificate for children, and child fingerprint and DNA kits.

■ **Car Seat Check:** According to the National Safety Council, automobile accidents are the number one killer of children ages three to fourteen in the United States. The Council estimates that three out of four child safety seats in use in the United States are improperly installed. In 2009, the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration issued its report "Drivers' Mistakes When Installing Child Safety Seats," stating:

"If drivers were aware that their installation was incorrect, they may seek help to fix the problems. However, drivers may not know that the CRS (Child Restraint System) installation was incorrect. The level of disconnect between the participant's assessment on a child seat installation is noted in studies showing high

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Subdivision and Land Development Report

The following plans remain under review:

1320 Pottstown Pike

A seventeen lot single family detached residential subdivision is proposed on the western side of Pottstown Pike just north of Burke Road.

Traditions of West Goshen

Location: 1299 Boot Road

A 43,671 square foot independent living facility consisting of 114 units is proposed.

Fernhill Elementary School

Location: 915 Lincoln Avenue

This plan proposes a 14,014 square foot classroom addition, a 2,040 square foot cafeteria addition, and the enclosure of the existing front entrance of the school; also an additional 64 parking spaces will be created adjacent to the proposed classroom addition with a pickup and dropoff area. A new ten

foot wide bus stacking lane is to be created for pickup and dropoff in front of the cafeteria.

WAWA/CVS/Bank

Location: 1010 West Chester Pike

Plan proposes to demolish the existing building (Thomas Chevrolet) and construct a 5,102 square foot convenience store, a 14,600 square foot pharmacy, and a 3,650 square foot bank.

Three-Lot Subdivision

Location: East Side of Pottstown Pike, South of Greenhill Road

The proposed plan will create a three-lot single family detached dwelling subdivision. An existing house is to remain on one of the lots.

The Woodlands at Greystone

Location: Northwest corner of the Route 322 By-Pass and Phoenixville Pike

The submitted plan proposes for the development of 598 dwelling units

pursuant to the Flexible Design Conservation District regulations for a 446+ acre property located along Pottstown Pike, Phoenixville Pike, and the Route 322 Bypass (commonly referred to as the Jerrehian tract).

Goshen Leisure Development II

Location: 21 Hagerty Boulevard: East of Route 202, North of Hagerty Boulevard

The proposed plan reflects 164,150 square feet of flex office and warehouse buildings to be located at 21 Hagerty Boulevard.

415 Goshen Road Subdivision

Location: 415 Goshen Road

The proposed plan will subdivide the property located at 415 Goshen Road into five single family lots.

A plan may be viewed, by request, by contacting West Goshen Township. ★

township information

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Barker Park

Falcon Lane by Westtown Way

Coopersmith Park

Spring Lane, off West Chester Pike

Lambert Park

1145 Pottstown Pike

West Goshen Community Park

Fern Hill & North Five Points Roads

Greening West Goshen

"Greening West Goshen" offers environmentally sound practices for homeowners, businesses, gardeners, and property managers. If you have a green tip you would like to share, forward it to Newsletter Editor Ken Lehr at klehr@westgoshen.org.

Getting to the Root of a Healthy Yard

Spring is a great time for planting! Not only do plants add to the beauty of yards and landscapes, but they can help reduce stormwater pollution. To help keep our streams and groundwater safe, try planting deep-rooted plants. Deep-rooted and well adapted trees, shrubs, grasses, and garden plants prevent unwanted erosion and buffer the harmful impacts stormwater runoff can have

on stream health and drinking water supplies. Deep-rooted plants and grasses also tend to be more drought resistant, as their deeper roots allow them to tap into deeper groundwater.

Tomatoes, pumpkins, parsnips, winter squash, and asparagus are some examples of common garden plants with deeper roots. Trees and shrubs offer deeper roots; however make sure to plant at least two to three feet from any buildings or paved surfaces to allow roots to spread without structural damage. Perennials tend to have deeper root systems than annuals, and don't require yearly planting.

With some planning, you can have a beautiful, healthy, and environmentally friendly yard. ★



Handle with Care

Remember never to dispose of toxic chemicals in your household plumbing. Most toxic chemicals may be disposed of at any of Chester County's Household Hazardous Waste Disposals. (See "How to Dispose of Trash, Recycling, Yard Waste, and Household Hazardous and Electronic Waste" in the enclosed Trash and Recycling Guide.) Make sure you handle, store, and dispose of any toxic products such as herbicides, oil and grease, detergents and degreasers, batteries, fuels, and lubricants with caution. Not only may accidental spillage be dangerous to your family and pets, chemicals coming into contact with soil or paved surfaces migrate with stormwater into streets, storm drains, and streams as well as groundwater, polluting our precious water supplies. Be conscientious and conservation-minded when using toxic products. ★

Public Township Meetings

Board of Supervisors (7:00 PM, second Wednesday of each month): May 14; June 11; July 9.

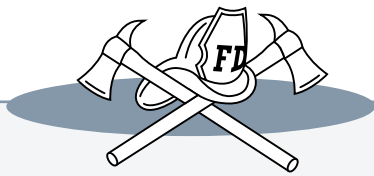
Park and Recreation Board (7:00 PM, third Wednesday of each month): May 21; June 18; July 16.

Planning Commission (7:00 PM third Tuesday of each month): May 20; June 17; July 15.

Sewer Authority (7:30 PM, first Wednesday of each month): May 7; June 4; July 2.

Zoning Hearing Board (7:00 PM, first Thursday after the second Wednesday each month, except where otherwise noted): May 15; June 12; July 10.

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. Check www.westgoshen.org for updates. ★



Safety Tips by Fire Marshal Andrea Testa

Burning Prohibited in West Goshen Township

This winter provided many homeowners with tree limbs and branches scattered on their property. West Goshen Township residents are reminded that in 2010 the Board of Supervisors enacted an ordinance amending Chapter 31 of the West Goshen Township Code. This ordinance prohibits burning of leaves, branches, and other yard waste. Below is a section of that ordinance. If you have any questions about burning, please contact Fire Marshal Andrea Testa at 610-696-5266, ext. 4113.

31-1. Burning prohibited.

"It is unlawful to burn or to authorize another to burn any materials, natural or man-made, including but not limited to, leaves, twigs, trees, brush, lumber, building materials, construction waste materials, municipal waste, recyclable materials and any commercial or industrial by-product waste materials of any kind, outdoors anywhere within West Goshen Township." ★

Make Sure Emergency Services Can Find Your House



Displaying house numbers properly is important for receiving deliveries, making it easy for friends and relatives to find your house if they haven't been there before, **and for quick response in emergency situations.** Because you're so familiar with your house number, sometimes it's difficult to notice if the number is not displayed very well. Many houses have numbers that are barely visible, particularly in the dark. It's best to have the number in the most obvious places people look—on the sides of a street mailbox and above or next to the front door. The numbers should be at least three inches high. Display that number properly if you want that pizza delivered on time! ★

Drive on Over to the Blood Drive

The next West Goshen Blood Drive will take place at the West Goshen Township Administration Building on Wednesday, July 30th between 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM. To register, call Kate Meinhart at 610-696-5266, or visit www.redcrossblood.org/donating-blood and enter sponsor code 0228510. ★

Free Services Offered by Your West Goshen Police Department

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confidence levels despite mistakes made. In a report by National Safe Kids Campaign (NSKC), 96 percent of parents believed they installed their child seat correctly. However, data from child seat checkup stations consistently show that four out of five participants

*unintentionally made potentially hazardous installation mistakes."**

To assure the safety of children in car seats, the West Goshen Police Department's Traffic Safety Unit partners with the Chester County Highway Safety Project to offer free car safety seat checks at the West Goshen Municipal Complex twice per month. Residents of West Goshen Township can call Charlie Vilotti of the Chester County Highway Safety Project at 610-906-2711 to set up an appointment with professionals trained in correct child restraint system installation to make sure their seats are correctly installed.

"I can't stress enough the importance of a properly installed car seat in the event of a collision," emphasize Sgt. Justin DiMedio of the West Goshen Police Department's Traffic Safety Unit. ★

Dates for Car Seat Checks at the West Goshen Police Department:

- Thursday, May 8: 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- Thursday, May 22: 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- Thursday, June 12: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Monday, June 23: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Thursday, July 10: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Thursday, August 14: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Thursday, August 28: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Thursday, September 11: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Thursday, September 25: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Thursday, October 9: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Thursday, October 23: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Thursday, November 13: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Wednesday, November 26: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Thursday, December 11: 9:00 AM – Noon
- Tuesday, December 23: 9:00 AM – Noon

*Decina & Knoebel, 1997; 1996; National Safe Kids Campaign, 2004



Spring and Summer at a Glance

May 10	Summer Recreation Program and Summer Teen Program registration
May 10	Bus trip to Citi Field
May 17	Summer Recreation Program and Summer Teen Program registration
May 18	West Chester East High School's Jazz Lab Band and Jazz Ensemble concert
June 21	International Go Skateboarding Day Celebration
June 21	Bus trip to New York City
June 22	Summer Concert: Children's performance by Makin' Music
June 23	West Goshen Historical Committee presents "Battle of the Clouds"
June 23 – June 27	Skatecamp Session 1
June 23 – Aug 15	Summer Recreation Program and Summer Teen Program
June 25	"Bach to Rock" Meets the "Sound of Science"
June 29	Summer Concert: Party favorites with The Greaseband
June 30 – Aug 14	Summer sports clinics
July 4	Decorated Bike Parade (Raindate: July 5)
July 12	Bus trip to the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, and the World Trade Center Memorial
July 13	Summer Concert: Motown celebration with Love's Magic
July 19	Commonwealth Classic Theatre Company presents "Twelfth Night" (Raindate: July 20)
July 21 - July 25	Skatecamp Session 2
July 27	Summer Concert: Musical Tour of Latin America with Café con Pan
Aug 8	Bus trip to Yankee Stadium
Aug 10	Summer Concert: Jazzin' It Up with The Big Big Jazz Band
Aug 18 – Aug 22	Skatecamp Session 3
Aug 24	Summer Concert: Celtic rockers Blackthorn
September 13	Tour of Central Park and the Metropolitan Museum of Art

Look for information about the Fall Movie Series, Harvest Festival, Holiday Events, and Fall Bus Trips in future issues of **The West Goshen Township Newsletter**.

The West Goshen Township Park and Recreation Department is committed to providing a variety of high-quality free or low-cost recreational events to residents of West Goshen Township. Guests to these events are encouraged to bring a dry good item (e.g., soap, toilet paper, laundry detergent, shampoo, etc.) to be donated to the West Chester Food Cupboard and the Coatesville Veterans Affairs Medical Center for distribution to low-income families and veterans in Chester County.

To find out if an event is moved to an alternate location or changed to a raindate, visit www.westgoshen.org or call 610-696-5266 within the two hours preceding the event. To receive monthly email updates about upcoming events from the West Goshen Park and Recreation Department, contact Park and Recreation Director Ken Lehr at klehr@westgoshen.org. ★



Activity Guide
SPRING & SUMMER

Enjoy Favorites at the West Goshen Summer Concert Series

This year's Summer Concert Series at West Goshen Community Park will feature some of the most popular groups from past years and must-see bands new to the J. Leon Hagerty Amphitheater.

June 22nd: Makin' Music first performed at West Goshen Community Park in the 1999 Summer Concert Series. These local favorites have regularly entertained children at the annual West Goshen Harvest Festival. Their performance will guarantee to get kids up and dancing, hopping, and being silly to a variety of children's music. (Rainsite: West Chester East High School Auditorium.)

June 29th: The Greaseband used to provide the headline performance at West Goshen Community Day. Now, Township residents can still enjoy them as they return to once again perform their party favorites from the past 50+ years in the Summer Concert Series. (Rainsite: Fugett Middle School Auditorium.)

July 13th: Love's Magic is excited to bring their Motown sound to the J. Leon Hagerty Amphitheater, following the tradition of popular Motown performances at West Goshen Community Park by Special Blendz and Loni Gamble and Sound Cheque. (Rainsite: West Chester East High School Auditorium.)

July 27th: Café con Pan performs for the second time at West Goshen Community Park, having first performed here in 2011, as they bring their lively musical tour of Latin America to the J. Leon Hagerty Amphitheater. (Rainsite: West Chester East High School Auditorium.)

August 10th: The Big Big Jazz Band make their premier at West Goshen Community Park with a blend of brass, reeds, rhythm, and vocals featuring arrangements by Glenn Miller, Count Basie, the Dorsey Brothers, and new renditions of songs of yesterday and today. (Rainsite: West Chester East High School Auditorium.)

August 24th: Blackthorn continues to be one of Southeastern Pennsylvania's most popular bands. Having first performed in West Goshen Community Park in 2000, this year will mark their seventh performance on the J. Leon Hagerty Amphitheater stage. (Rainsite: West Chester East High School Auditorium.)

As always, thanks to The Friends of West Goshen Parks and the generous support of our local sponsors, all of the West Goshen Summer Concerts are FREE of charge. Concerts begin at 6:30 PM. Rain determination will be made after 3:00 PM on the date of the concert. Visit www.westgoshe.org for directions and rain determination.

In addition to the Summer Concert Series, West Goshen Community Park will host an additional FREE concert featuring West Chester East High School's **Jazz Lab Band** and **Jazz Ensemble** on Sunday, May 18th at 6:30 PM. Everyone is invited to come see some of the area's top young performers perform outdoors in the park. ★



Makin' Music will perform on June 22nd.

Have Fun Outside with the Summer Recreation Program



Children between the ages of five and twelve are encouraged to run, hop, skip, and jump their way to a fun, safe, and healthy summer outdoors with the Summer Recreation Program! The 2014 Summer Recreation Program will begin on Monday, June 23rd and continue eight weeks through Friday, August 15th. The Summer Recreation Program is held weekday mornings between 9AM and noon at three beautiful West Goshen park locations. Parents may choose between Barker Park, Coopersmith Park, and West Goshen Community Park for their child(ren) to participate in a variety of fun, supervised activities.

Children will participate in a combination of structured outdoor activities and free play in a safe and fun environment supervised by our counselors. In addition, participants are encouraged to try new group activities, to be creative, and to use their imaginations in a social environment with other children. Children will have opportunities to play sports such as soccer and lacrosse, play games such as tag and dodgeball, enjoy the playground and sports facilities, make crafts to take home such as their own tie-dyed shirt.

Participants can also join in eight weekly field trips with enjoyable and supervised activities including swimming, bowling, roller skating, ice skating, and more! Four of the trips are included in the registration fee and the remaining four require an additional fee per trip which includes the activity, adult supervision and bus transportation (for most trips).

Parents may register their child(ren) for one of the three park locations during the mornings of Saturday, May 10th (8:00 – 11:00 AM) and Saturday, May 17th (9:00 – 11:00 AM) at the West Goshen Township Administrative

Building with Township residents having first priority. Beginning on Monday, May 19th, registration will continue during normal business hours (7:00 AM – 5:00 PM) as space permits. Registration is for the entire eight-week program.

The program fee for West Goshen families continues to be \$200 for the first child, \$350 for two children, and \$100 per additional sibling for the eight-week program. West Goshen residents are able to register children for both the Summer Recreation Program and the Summer Teen Program (see page 9) while taking advantage of the discounted rate structure. Proof of residency must be provided (e.g., drivers' license, sewer bill, address on check) to be eligible for resident rates. The registration fee for residents of other municipalities continues to be \$300 per participant. Only personal checks or cash will be accepted. Children must be five years old by September 1, 2014 to register and should be comfortable participating in a group environment. Parents must bring a copy of their child(ren)'s birth certificate or other proof of age.

For more information visit http://www.westgoshen.org/Departments/Events/Summer_Rec_Program.cfm or contact Summer Program Coordinator Tom Steines with any questions at TSteines@westgoshen.org or at 610-696-5266, ext. 4103. ★

Celebrate Commonwealth Classic Theatre Company's Tenth Year with Twelfth Night

"If this were play'd upon a stage now, I could condemn it as an improbable fiction."

Commonwealth Classic Theater Company (CCTC) celebrates ten years of outdoor theatre in West Goshen with a production of one of William Shakespeare's most popular comedies, "Twelfth Night, or What You Will."

Directed by CCTC co-founder Paul Parente, "Twelfth Night" has all of the elements of an uproarious Shakespeare comedy: twins shipwrecked and separated from one another; concealed and mistaken identities; cross-dressing, gender-bending characters; deception; love and loss; a servant with delusions of grandeur; and a wise-cracking,

mischief-making, musical fool. Through it all, Shakespeare shows that life is precious and brief, and that love, in all its messy glory, is the glue that makes it all worthwhile.

Feste, one of Shakespeare's great comic characters, sums up the bard's intent in "Twelfth Night" by deftly singing, "We'll strive to please you."

The performance is FREE OF CHARGE and begins at 7:00 PM on Saturday, July 19th. In the event of rain, the performance would be postponed to Sunday, July 20th at 7:00 PM. Check www.westgoshen.org or call 610-696-5266 after 5:00 PM on the date of the performance for rain determination. ★



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SPRING & SUMMER

Don't Get Bored—Get ON a Board this Summer

Robert E. Lambert Park, with its freshly resurfaced skatepark, will be the place to go skateboarding this summer.

On the first full day of summer, Saturday, June 21st, the West Goshen Park and Recreation Department will partner with Fairman's Skate, Surf, and Snow Shop to celebrate the annual Go Skateboarding Day beginning at 1:00 PM. Boarders can learn from experts from Fairman's Skate, Surf, and Snow Shop, compete in contests, win prizes, and skate to live music. All activities on this day are FREE OF CHARGE.

This summer will also mark the return of week-long skateboarding camps,

taught by the crew of experienced Fairman's staff. This year's skatecamps will be offered on the following dates:

- Monday, June 23rd through Friday, June 27th, 9:00 AM until noon. 8 - 12 years old.
- Monday, July 21st through Friday, July 25th, 9:00 AM until noon. 10 - 14 years old
- Monday, August 18th through Friday, August 22nd, 9:00 AM until noon. 8 - 12 years old

Each participant is responsible for his or her own board, helmet, kneepads, and elbow pads. **Registrants will not be permitted to participate without**

the required safety equipment. Cost is \$175 per registration, or only \$165 for residents of West Goshen Township. Information and registration forms are available at www.westgoshen.org/PDFs/Events/Skatecamp.pdf. Register early, as space is limited and tends to fill up early!

For the beginner, the West Goshen Park and Recreation Department offers weekly skateboarding clinics between 1:30 and 3:00 PM on Mondays. These are offered as part of the Summer Recreation Program's series of sports clinics. Additional information is available on page 9.

For more information, visit the skatepark page of the West Goshen Township website at http://www.westgoshen.org/Departments/Park_Rec/Skatepark.cfm. Additional information about Go Skateboarding and summer skateboarding camps is also available at www.fairmans.com. ★



Coopersmith Park Update

In the Winter 2014 issue of the West Goshen Township Newsletter (<http://www.westgoshen.org/PDFs/Newsletters/WGTWinter14.pdf>), we reported that playground equipment was to be replaced in Coopersmith Park in April. Due to extreme winter conditions, this project has been postponed until May. We apologize for any inconvenience. ★

Score Some Summertime Fun with Afternoon Sports Clinics

Do you know someone who would love to learn how to play soccer, ride a skateboard, or to shoot an ice hockey goal? Young enthusiasts are invited to join the beginner level fun while participating in West Goshen's afternoon sports clinics! West Goshen's Summer Recreation counselors will introduce beginner-level enthusiasts to popular recreational sports while teaching the basic fundamentals of new activities encouraging teamwork, healthy exercise, and fun!

MONDAYS: 1:30 – 3:00 PM

Skateboarding (ages 6 - 10) * Lambert Park
Tennis (ages 9 & 10) * Community Park

TUESDAYS: 1:30 – 3:00 PM

Ice Hockey (ages 8-10) * Ice Line Quad Rinks
Soccer (ages 5 – 8) * Community Park
Tennis (ages 11 & 12) * Community Park

THURSDAYS: 1:30 – 3:00 PM

Basketball (ages 8-11) * Community Park
Lacrosse (ages 6 – 10) * Community Park
Tee – Ball (ages 5 – 8) * Community Park

Our afternoon sports clinics begin the week of June 30th and will continue seven weeks through August 14th, meeting one afternoon per week between 1:30 and 3:00 PM. The majority of clinics will take place at West Goshen Community Park. Skateboarding will be held at the skatepark located at Robert Lambert Park and ice hockey will be located at the Ice Line Quad Rinks facility next to

New!
Ice Hockey
Clinic

West Goshen Community Park. Sports equipment will be provided for every clinic at Community Park however participants are welcome to bring their own (e.g. lacrosse stick, tennis racquet). Ice skate rentals and hockey equipment are included for hockey players. Participants in our skateboarding clinic are required to provide their own equipment including a skateboard, helmet, and knee/elbow pads.



Registration will be held on Saturday, May 10th (8:00 – 11:00 AM) and Saturday, May 17th (9:00 – 11:00 AM) at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. Registration fee is \$60 per sport for West Goshen residents and \$75 per sport for children living outside of West Goshen. Participants in the ice hockey clinic will be responsible for an additional fee of \$35 per participant to cover ice time, skate rental, and hockey equipment. Registration will resume during normal office hours beginning on Monday, May 19th as space permits. Participants will receive a West Goshen clinic t-shirt while supplies last. Cancellations due to inclement weather will be made up at a later date. Contact Summer Program Coordinator Tom Steines at TSteines@westgoshen.org or at 610-696-5266, ext. 4103 for more information. ★

Summer Teen Program Moves to Clubhouse at Lambert Park

The popular West Goshen Summer Teen Program has a new home at the Teen Clubhouse located at Robert Lambert Park! Based out of West Goshen Community Park for the past eight years, teen participants now will enjoy the same great program at the new location located in the northern part of West Goshen Township along Pottstown Pike. The Teen Clubhouse offers participants a permanent indoor facility to call their own complete with a ping-pong table, a foosball table, art supplies, board games, video games and more! Teens will also enjoy the various outdoor facilities of Lambert Park including sports fields (e.g., baseball, soccer and lacrosse), tennis courts, and our popular skatepark.

In addition to enjoying daily sports, games, and activities at Lambert Park, teens will participate in community service projects and go on weekly field

trip adventures including amusement and water parks. Participants between the ages of thirteen and fifteen are welcome to join the fun. The eight-week program will be in session from June 23rd through August 15th running weekday mornings between 9:00 AM and noon. Some field trips and community service projects will run past noon. The Summer Teen Program will not be held on Friday, July 4th.

Registration for the 2014 Summer Teen Program will be held at the West Goshen Township Administration Building on Saturday, May 10th between 8:00 and 11:00 AM and again on Saturday, May 17th between 9:00 and 11:00 AM. The registration fee for West Goshen residents is \$200 for one participant, \$350 for two, and \$100 per additional participant. West Goshen families are welcome to

register children for both the Summer Teen Program and the Summer Recreation Program (see page 7) at these rates. The registration fee for families residing outside of West Goshen Township is \$300 per participant. Registration will resume during normal office hours beginning on Monday, May 19th as space permits. Teens must be thirteen years of age by September 1, 2014 to participate. Field trips will require and additional fee per trip of approximately \$12 to \$35 per trip.

For additional information, contact Summer Program Coordinator Tom Steines at TSteines@westgoshen.org or at 610-696-5266, ext. 4103. ★



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Start Your July 4th Weekend with the West Goshen Bike Parade

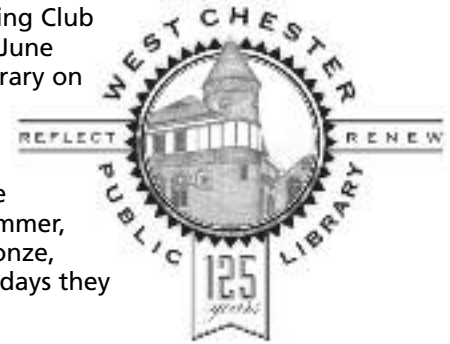
Kick off your holiday weekend this July 4th with the West Goshen Decorated Bicycle Parade. Children eleven years old and younger, living in the Township are invited to decorate their bicycles, tricycles, big wheels, strollers, wagons, and wheelchairs and enter by registering online at www.westgoshe.org. Prizes will be awarded to the top entries in each category, and every participating child will receive a commemorative medal.

Please keep in mind that children on bicycles **MUST** wear protective bicycle helmets. Inline skates, skateboard, and scooters are **NOT** permitted. Please be mindful if your child may be upset by not winning a grand prize. The Decorated Bicycle Parade is part of the West Goshen Park and Recreation Department's ongoing commitment to providing safe and fun activities for the residents of West Goshen Township. ★



Summertime is a Great Time to Read, Learn, and Discover at Your Public Library

The West Chester Public Library's Summer Reading Club will have its annual kick-off event on Saturday, June 14th between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM at the Library on N. Church and Lafayette Streets. Kids ages three through twelve and teens can join in games and crafts, enjoy the performers, and receive a reading log and fun prizes that will be available only on that date. Throughout the summer, kids can log their daily reading time to earn bronze, silver, or gold medals depending on how many days they log thirty minutes or more reading.



The theme for this year's reading program is science, with special activities taking place throughout the summer to highlight this theme, including crafts, hands-on experiments, story times, performers, and other special programs. The popular Read-to-Me Dog will also return this summer.

Teens will have their own reading club and programs during the summer. Weekly drop-in sessions will feature science mysteries, scavenger hunts, board game evenings, and more.

Additional information is available at www.wcpubliclibrary.org or by calling 610-696-7985. ★

"Bach 2 Rock" Meets the "Sound of Science"

The West Goshen Park and Recreation Department proudly partners with the West Chester Public Library to host a free presentation for kids about the science of music. In "'Bach 2 Rock' Meets 'The Sound of Science,'" musician Caryn Lin uses her electric violin, sound effects pedals, and other sound gear to explore what sound is, the difference between acoustic or organic and electric sound, and to find out what a sound wave is and how it relates to pitch. This interactive presentation, part of the West Chester Public Library Summer Reading Club's summer of science activities, is free of charge and will take place at the West Goshen Township Administration Building at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, June 25th. Although all are welcome to attend this event, participants are encouraged to first enroll in the West Chester Public Library's Summer Reading Club at their June 14th kickoff event to take advantage of a summer of science fun. ★



Something Old and Something New for You in

THE BIG APPLE

The West Goshen Park and Recreation Department invites you to experience something old and something new with four different trips to New York City this summer!

New York on Your Own

What's new: Take a free walking tour of midtown Manhattan with Park and Recreation Director Ken Lehr.

Spend the afternoon sightseeing, shopping, dining, or touring New York City on your own. Or, if you would like an introduction to some of the highlights of midtown Manhattan, start your visit with a two-mile walking tour with West Goshen Park and Recreation Director Ken Lehr. Begin at Hell's Kitchen's famed Restaurant Row, where you'll be tempted by cuisine from around the world. See Duffy Square, where you can purchase discounted Broadway show tickets, and Times Square, the heart of New York City. Walk across the always-bustling Bryant Park and take a quick peek into the New York Public Library. Then head north to St. Patrick's Cathedral and Rockefeller Center before venturing out to explore the city on your own.

Date: Saturday, June 21st.

Cost: \$45 per person.

Trip includes: Round-trip motorcoach transportation; optional walking tour; driver tip.

Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, and World Trade Center Memorial

What's new: See the new 9/11 Museum.

Depart from West Goshen to Liberty State Park, where you'll catch a ferry to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty. Then ferry off to New York's Battery Park, where you'll reunite with the group and walk to the World Trade

Center Memorial and Museum. Spend two hours visiting the museum and memorial site before heading off for the Trade Center Ferry Port where you'll catch a ferry back to Liberty State Park. Conclude your day with a dinner at Mastori's Restaurant.

Please note that this trip entails over one mile of walking.

Date: Saturday, July 12th.

Cost: \$120 per adult; \$110 per senior 62 or older; \$100 per child 6-16.

Trip includes: Round-trip motorcoach transportation; ferry transportation to Liberty, Ellis, and Manhattan Islands and a return ferry to Liberty State Park; admission to the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, and the World Trade Center Memorial and Museum; dinner at Mastori's; driver and server tips.

Yankee Stadium

What's new: Get closer to the action than ever before with lower (main) level seats behind third base!

Don't miss what may be your last chance to see Yankee's Captain Derek Jeter playing in the Stadium he helped inaugurate in 2009, as the Yankees take on the Cleveland Indians for a Friday night thriller. With lower (main) level seats behind third base, catch a great view of all the action and the splendor of Yankee Stadium.

Date: Friday, August 8th.

Cost: \$85 per person.

Trip includes: Round-trip motorcoach transportation; main level seat ticket for Yankee Stadium; driver tip.

Walking Tour of Central Park and the Metropolitan Museum of Art

What's new: Take a guided walking tour of highlights of New York's Central Park.

See some of the highlights of New York's Central Park on a guided walking tour. Then have lunch and take a guided tour of the Metropolitan Museum of Art before exploring on your own!

Note that the walking tour of Central Park covers nearly two miles. Those unable to walk this distance may register to just visit the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Date: Saturday, September 13th.

Cost with walking tour: \$85 per adult; \$75 per student with a valid identification.

Trip includes: Round-trip motorcoach transportation; guided walking tour of Central Park; admission and tour of the Metropolitan Museum of Art; lunch; driver tip.

Cost without walking tour: \$75 per adult; \$65 per student with a valid identification.

Trip includes: Round-trip motorcoach transportation; admission and tour of the Metropolitan Museum of Art; lunch; driver tip. ★

WHERE'S KEN? Park and Recreation Director Ken Lehr not only coordinates but also attends the majority of West Goshen's bus trips. Participants on trips can now track Ken Lehr on their smartphones or tablet devices in case they get separated from the group, get lost, need to locate the bus for pickup, or need to track him down in case of an emergency. Just enter the website www.greenalp.com/RealtimeTracker/index.php?viewuser=kenlehr into your smartphone or tablet to see where Ken is. Please note this feature will only be activated during bus trips.

Learn About The Philadelphia Campaign of 1777 and West Goshen's Role in the American Revolution

Monday, June 23rd at 7:00 PM at the West Goshen Township Administration Building

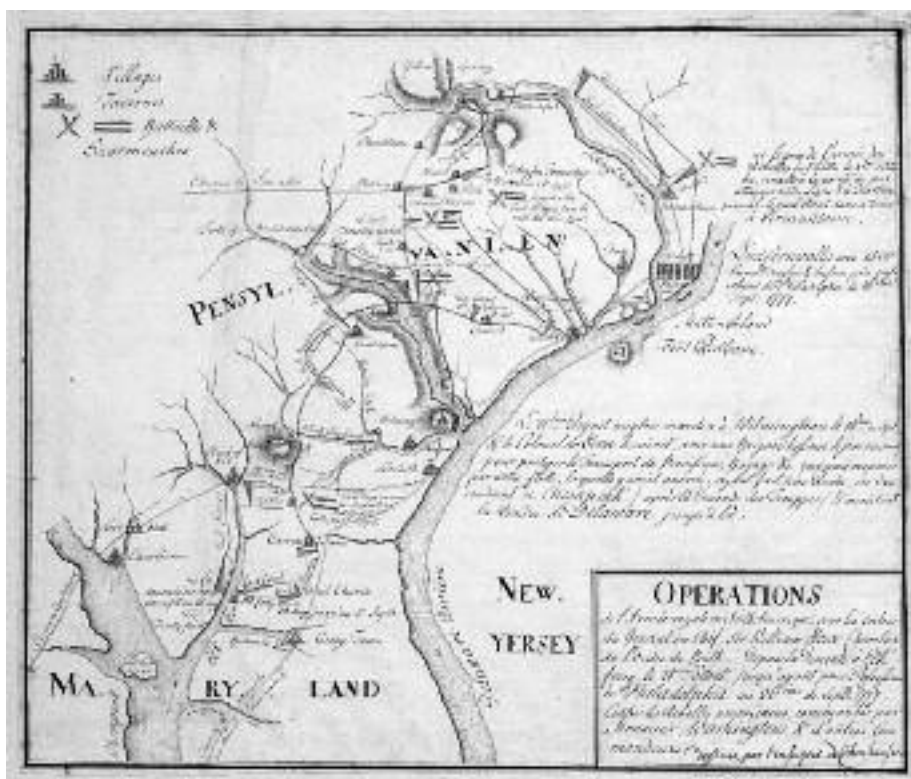
Sean Moir, owner and president of Western Heritage Mapping in Valley Forge, will present a program at the West Goshen Township Administration Building on Monday, June 23rd at 7:00 PM describing Revolutionary War troop movements in Chester and Delaware Counties as part of the Philadelphia Campaign, which included the Battle of the Brandywine, the Battle of the Clouds, and the Paoli Massacre.

Moir's presentation establishes the context of the Philadelphia Campaign within the American Revolution, and uses unique animated maps to help tie these events to local sites.

As part of a multi-award winning county project, sponsored in part by the National Park Service and the American Battlefield Protection Program, Moir has worked for the last three years researching, mapping, and animating the conflicts of the 1777 Philadelphia Campaign. In addition to his work in Chester County, he has done work for the Pencader Heritage Area Association in Delaware (site of the Battle of Cooch's Bridge), the Cliveden House in Germantown (site of the Battle of

Germantown), the Friends of Valley Forge Park, and currently has an animated map on exhibit at the American Swedish Heritage Museum showing the growth and development of the New Sweden settlements in the seventeenth century.

The Battle of the Clouds, which took place in part in East and West Goshen, is currently the focus of research being conducted by the West Goshen Historical Committee. See the Summer 2013 issue of the West Goshen Township Newsletter at www.westgoshen.org/PDFs/Newsletters/WGTSummer13.pdf for more information. ★



**Attention
history fans!**

“Part of Our Community” highlights local businesses, organizations, and people who make a difference in the community. To submit ideas for future columns, please email Newsletter Editor Ken Lehr at klehr@westgoshen.org.



Part of Our Community

Permanency Partners

Permanency Partners, started in West Goshen Township in 2010 to replace the foster care and adoption programs previously provided by the Friends Association for the Care and Protection of Children, is a division of Children’s Home of York. Permanency Partners provides a variety of services for children and their biological, foster, and/or adoptive families from birth through the age of eighteen. Permanency Partners, licensed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, is an affiliate agency of the Statewide Adoption Network (SWAN).

According to LaToya Pollitt, Permanency and Resource Coordination Supervisor for Permanency Partners, while many people are interested in adopting newborns, often children most in need of a home are those above the age of

ten, children with special needs, or siblings looking for a home together. As an incentive, the state of Pennsylvania will assume the \$2,500 fee to create a family profile for adoptive parents looking for children in any of these categories.

Pollitt also indicates a great need for foster families. Children in foster care often find themselves endangered by parents with drug addictions, untreated mental illnesses, or parents who are abusive or homeless or otherwise unable to care for their children. Although the County will provide counseling and other assistance to help biological parents reunite with their children, sometimes this is not possible and the children may eventually end up being adopted by their foster families.

Once parents have completed the adoption process, Permanency Partners offers a continuation of services known as Post-Permanency Services which include case management, assessment, support groups and respites. Permanency Partners also offers monthly training and support groups for all foster and adoptive parents free of charge.

“One of the greatest things is our retention events,” says Pollitt. These quarterly events bring adoptive and foster families together for social outings such as bowling, hayrides, laser tag, or an annual appreciation banquet. These events are free of charge to the families. During the Christmas season, Permanency Partners hosts a Christmas party for foster and adoptive families, and provides gifts for each of the children they helped find homes for.

LaToya Pollitt stresses the constant need for foster and adoptive parents. For more information about Permanency Partners, visit www.permpartners.org or contact LaToya Pollitt at call 610-431-9933, ext. 1412 or via email at lpollitt@choyork.org. ★



Apply Now for the Pennsylvania Property Tax Rebate to Be Eligible for the West Goshen Township Trash Rebate

Eligible senior citizens are advised to apply now for the Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebate in order to be eligible for the West Goshen Township Trash Rebate Program. To determine eligibility, seniors must meet the following requirements:

- Qualified applicants must be 65 or older as of December 31, 2013.
- Applicants’ 2013 household income, including 50% of Social Security payments, must equal \$35,000 or less.

Pennsylvania residents who meet these qualifications may apply for the Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebate by June 30, 2014. Applications for the Pennsylvania Tax/Rent Rebate Program may be obtained from the Chester

County Department of Aging Services, 601 Westtown Road, Suite 320, West Chester, PA 19382 (610-344-6350), or by visiting www.revenue.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/property_tax_rent_rebate-program/11410/sign-up_to_receive_a_form/581708.

West Goshen residents receiving the Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebate must make a copy of that check to attach to the West Goshen Township Trash Rebate Program Application. The Trash Rebate Program Application is available at the West Goshen Township Administration Building and must be completed and returned to West Goshen Township by October 31, 2014. First time applicants may receive copies of the West Goshen Trash

Rebate Program by calling 610-696-5266, ext. 4108 or by visiting www.westgoshen.org.

First time applicants for the West Goshen Township Trash Rebate Program must bring identification along with a copy of the Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebate check. The social security number and date of birth for Property Tax/Rent Rebate applicants may be used if the rebate was paid via direct deposit instead of check.

Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebates will be mailed or direct deposited beginning July 1, 2014. West Goshen Township Trash Rebate checks will be mailed in December 2014. ★

ROAD RULES

Pedestrian Safety

With the arrival of spring comes an increase in pedestrian traffic. Unfortunately, pedestrians were one of the few groups of road users to experience an increase in fatalities in the United States in 2011, totaling 4,432 deaths (14% of all highway deaths, an increase of 3% from 2010), according to the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA). To help reduce the dangers of being a pedestrian, remember these safe walking tips:

- Be predictable. Follow the rules of the road and obey signs and signals.
- Keep alert at all times; don't be distracted by electronic devices that take your eyes (and ears) off the road.
- Cross streets at crosswalks or intersections whenever possible. This is where drivers expect pedestrians.
- Look for cars in all directions — including those turning left or right.
- If a crosswalk or intersection is not available, locate a well-lit area where you have the best view of traffic, wait for a gap in traffic that allows you enough time to cross safely, and continue to watch for traffic as you cross.
- Walk on sidewalks whenever they are available.
- If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible.
- Never assume a driver sees you. Make eye contact with drivers as they approach you to make sure you are seen.
- Be visible at all times. Wear bright clothing during the day, and wear reflective materials or use a flashlight at night.
- Watch for cars entering or exiting driveways, or backing up in parking lots.
- Avoid alcohol and drugs when walking; they impair your abilities and judgment. ★



In each issue of the Township Newsletter, the West Goshen Police Traffic Safety Unit will provide information for drivers, focusing on sections of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code or other traffic safety issues.

Magisterial District Judge Kraut Delivers State of the Court Address

This spring, Magisterial District Judge William Kraut of District Court 15-2-03, which encompasses West Goshen, Westtown, and Thornbury Townships, presented his annual State of the Court Address to residents of West Goshen Township in which he affirmed “I am committed to continuing to protect and strengthen our community in the coming year.”

Judge Kraut points out that Magisterial District Court 15-2-03 is the third busiest of eighteen courts in Chester County, and that the District Court is “solid, sound, stable, and will remain intact after the statewide redistricting.”

The State of the Court Address describes Magisterial District Courts as “Courts with limited jurisdiction,” explaining, “More than 90% of all litigation in Pennsylvania occurs in the courtrooms of Magisterial District Judges,” and continuing: “All summary misdemeanor and felony criminal cases originate at the Magisterial District Court level. Magisterial District Courts are also the venue for lawsuits in civil cases for matters up to \$12,000.00 as well as the

filing and disposition of minor criminal cases (summary cases) such as traffic violations, disorderly conduct, public drunkenness, truancy, game law violations, and parking tickets.”

According to the State of the Court Address, responsibilities of a Magisterial District Judge include conducting preliminary hearings for all serious criminal offenders to determine which cases should be held for trial at the Court of Common Pleas, setting and accepting bail and arraigning defendants after arrest, and issuing search warrants based upon testimony from local or state police or the state's Attorney General's office.

Magisterial District Court 15-2-03 handled 7,287 cases in 2013, including:

- 356 criminal cases
- 1202 summary cases
- 5,285 traffic cases
- 233 civil cases
- 202 landlord/tenant cases

The District Court collected \$1,149,563.25 in fines. Of that,

West Goshen Township received \$152,344.35.

Judge Kraut invites residents of West Goshen, Westtown, and Thornbury Townships to visit his office with any suggestions on making the court run more efficiently or how the court can better serve the public. He cautions, however, that he is unable to discuss a case he is about to hear, and that neither he nor his staff may give any legal advice to the public. Tours of the Court are available for schools and scouts, and Judge Kraut welcomes requests from schools, scouts, and civic groups for him to speak. Magisterial District Court 15-2-03 is located at the Chester County Government Service Center at 601 Westtown Road, Suite 110 in West Goshen Township Mondays through Fridays 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM. Additional information is available at www.chesco.org or by calling 610-436-5757.

The complete State of the Court Address is available at www.westgoshe.org/PDFs/Court.pdf. ★



ROONIE SAYS...

West Goshen Township opened Roonie's Canine Corner at Robert Lambert Park in the summer of 2006. Since then, the Park and Recreation Department has answered numerous questions from dog owners visiting the dogpark. Here are some of the most frequently asked questions:

Are pit bulls allowed in Roonie's Canine Corner? Yes. A properly trained pit bull (American Staffordshire Terrier or Staffordshire Bull Terrier) is able to interact with other people or dogs without posing any threat. It is the responsibility of the dog's owner to make sure his or her dog is able to socialize safely with other dogs before entering the dogpark. West Goshen Township does not discriminate against any dog who meets this condition.

What should I do if I or my dog is attacked by another dog? Get contact and immunization information from the owner of the offending dog and get medical attention immediately if needed. If the owner is uncooperative, contact the West Goshen Police Department by calling 9-1-1, and make a record of the time and date of the incident, pertinent physical descriptions of the

dog and owner, and the owner's license plate number.

Why is the dogpark closed weekdays between 10:00 and 11:30 AM? The West Goshen Parks Department needs to devote time to maintain the dogpark. Some equipment, including mowers and weedwhackers, tend to spook some dogs, creating a hazard for our staff.

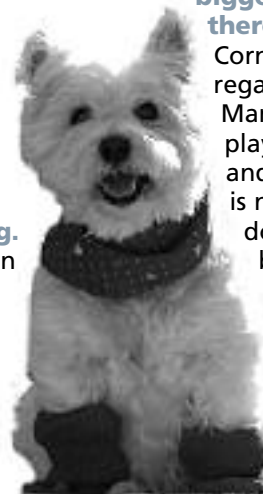
I left a water bowl/tennis ball/etc. at the dogpark but it wasn't there when I returned. What happened to it? Our maintenance crew will periodically dispose of objects left in the dogpark as they can potentially pose a sanitary threat when used by multiple dogs.

My dog was just playing with another dog, and that owner accused my dog of acting too aggressively and asked me to restrain my dog. Do I have to oblige? Yes. Even if dogs are just playing, each owner has the right to determine the interactions of his/her dog. If an owner does not want your dog interacting with his/hers, you would have

the obligation of restraining or removing your dog.

What is the danger of not bringing a spayed or neutered dog into the dogpark? Dogs who are not spayed or neutered may display unwanted aggressive and/or sexual behavior such as mounting or fighting. Dogs in heat should never be brought to the dogpark, and the Park and Recreation Department strongly recommends not bringing your dog to Roonie's Canine Corner until it has been spayed or neutered.

Is there a time I may bring my small dog to the park when bigger dogs will not be there? No. Roonie's Canine Corner is open to all dogs regardless of size or breed. Many small dogs enjoy playing with larger dogs and vice-versa. If your dog is not comfortable with dogs of different sizes or breeds, try returning at a different time, but we can not guarantee a time for just small or big dogs. ★



Your Listing of West Goshen Departmental Extensions

The Administrative Offices of West Goshen Township are now open five days a week between 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM. (See www.westgoshen.org/PDFs/Newsletters/WGTWinter14.pdf.) However, the receptionist is only available between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM, and may not be available between noon and 1:00 PM. If you are calling the West Goshen Township Administration Building during a time when the receptionist is not available, you may dial any of the following extensions during the automated message to reach the party you need to speak with:

Athletic Field Use	4412
Billing	4107 (Mon.: 4108)
Building Permits and Forms	4119 (Fri.: 4118)
Building Inspector—Commercial	4114
Building Inspector—Residential	4115
Fire Marshal	4113
Park and Recreation	4104
Police	Hang up and dial 610-696-7400
Roads	4305 (Fri.: 4103)
Sewer Treatment Plant	Hang up and dial 610-696-0900
Summer Recreation/Summer Teen Program	4103 (Mon.: 4104)
Tax Collector	4109
Tax Receipts and Copies of Tax Bill	4106
Township Engineer	4122
Township Manager	4126
Trash and Sewer Billing	4107 (Mon.: 4108)
Trash Collections	4305
Zoning	4120

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TOWNSHIP HOLIDAYS

Township offices will be closed on Monday, May 26th and Friday, July 4th. Trash will be picked up on Tuesday, May 27th and Friday, May 30th. Because the July 4th holiday falls on a Friday, trash collection will not be affected that week.

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PLUS: West Goshen Trash and Recycling Insert

TRASH & RECYCLING GUIDE

How to Dispose of Trash, Recycling, Yard Waste, and Household Hazardous and Electronic Waste



Trash and recycling information is made available in the West Goshen Township Newsletter in the spring and fall issues each year. The following guide for disposing of recyclables, household hazardous wastes, and other trash items is for homeowners not affiliated with a homeowners association in West Goshen Township.

Residential establishments with four or more units and commercial, municipal, and institutional establishments are responsible for individually contracting at their sole cost and expense for the collection of waste and recyclables with any collector/hauler licensed by West Goshen Township.

Recyclables (Mondays):

There is no maximum limit. The following items are recyclable:

- Cans, including aluminum, steel or tin.
- Bottles and jars, including clear, brown, or green glass.
- Plastics, #1 through #7
- Flattened boxes, including cereal boxes, corrugated cardboard, and other cardboard boxes **Please note that all cardboard items must fit into your recycling bucket. Cardboard must be cut into pieces no larger than two feet by two feet, and bagged or bundled into stacks no larger than one foot thick.**
- Paper, including junk mail, telephone books, catalogs, white paper, wrapping paper, magazines, and newspapers

All items must be placed in a West Goshen Township plastic recycling bucket or a trash can with a Township recycling sticker affixed to it. Recycling stickers are free and may be obtained from the Township. If you have moved into new construction, you may obtain a recycling bucket at no cost at the Township Administration Building. Twenty gallon recycling buckets are available for purchase (\$10 each) at the Township Administration Building. Mark each bucket with your street and house number. Place at curbside before 6:00 AM or the night before. Recycling buckets must be placed to the left or right of trash cans, with at least three

feet of clearance between the containers.

The following items are NOT recyclable and should be disposed of with regular trash:

- Tissues, paper towels, and napkins
- Food wrappers
- Wax or plastic coated boxes
- Tyvek envelopes
- Metallic wrapping paper
- Light bulbs
- Plate glass, window glass, drinking glasses, or mirrors
- Crystal
- Ceramics
- Aerosol paint cans
- Ovenware
- Plastics without identifying recycling numbers
- Empty oil cans or bottles
- Styrofoam

Trash (Mondays/Thursdays):

The Township-provided 96 gallon containers help assure efficient trash collection. Place this container at the curbside before 6:00 AM or the night before. Trash will not be picked up after the truck has arrived.

Please follow these guidelines to make sure your trash is being picked up safely and in a timely manner:

- Your trash container has a unique identification number assigned to your home. We recommend that you make note of your toter number and indicate your address in permanent black marker on it to avoid confusing your container with those of neighbors.
- All trash (except bulk items) must be placed inside the Township-provided container.
- Place your container on the street with the front wheels against the curb and the handle and wheels facing away from the street.
- Make sure your recycling container is placed at least three feet to the left or right of the trash toter.
- Position your container so it is at least four feet away from mailboxes, cars, or any other obstacles.

Bulk Trash (Thursdays): A maximum of one bulk item will be collected per week. A bulk item is an object which

two people can lift. Disabled refrigerators, air conditioners, and other cooling units must be tagged that freon has been removed. Refrigerators must have front doors removed. No building materials, railroad ties, automotive parts, or tires will be picked up. A maximum of four carpet rolls, each no longer than four feet in length, will be collected.

Yard Waste: West Goshen Township provides monthly yard waste service to residents between April and October on the dates indicated on the next page. Homeowners may place leaves, branches, twigs, and other yard wastes in trashcans or biodegradable paper yard waste bags, or tied in bundles no more than four feet in length with branches no more than four inches in diameter at their curbside for collection. Yard waste will not be collected from plastic bags, and grass clippings will not be accepted. There is no limit to the number of trash cans, paper bags, or tied-up bundles that will be accepted.

In compliance with standards set by Title 25 of the Pennsylvania Code, yard waste is no longer permitted to be burned in West Goshen Township.

No Trash Service: If a collection day for regular trash, recycling, or bulk pickup falls on a holiday, collection will occur on the **very next day**. If the holiday falls on a Monday, the second pickup that week will also be postponed from Thursday to Friday. Midweek holidays may result in trash being collected on Fridays instead of Thursdays.

Household Hazardous and Electronic Waste: Items labeled with any of the following words can not be disposed of with regular trash: CAUTION, TOXIC, DANGER, FLAMMABLE, WARNING, CORROSIVE, EXPLOSIVE, REACTIVE, COMBUSTIBLE, POISONOUS, or HAZARDOUS. Explosives, ammunition, radioactive wastes, and infectious or unidentified wastes will not be accepted for disposal. Please contact the proper authorities if you have a waste item that poses a significant danger. Use the chart on reverse page to determine items that may be brought to the Chester County

TRASH & RECYCLING GUIDE (CONTINUED...)

Household Hazardous and Electronic Waste Collection sites. Collections begin at 9:00 AM and end PROMPTLY at 3:00 PM.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

ELECTRONICS:

- CPUs/Laptop Computers
- Monitors
- Printers
- Copiers
- Televisions
- Answering Machines
- Camcorders
- Cellular Phones
- Docking Stations
- Electric Typewriters
- Fax/Copy Machines/Duplicators
- Microwave ovens
- Radios
- Pagers
- Remote Controls
- Gaming Consoles
- Stereo/Tape/CD Players
- Telephones
- Toner/Ink Cartridges
- VCR/DVD Players
- Testing Equipment

PAINT PRODUCTS:

- Oil products
- Turpentine/Thinners
- Stain/Varnish/Shellac
- Strippers/Removers
- Adhesives
- Wallpaper Cement
- Other Solvent Based Paint Products

OUTDOOR:

- Pool Chemicals
- Weed Killers
- Asphalt Sealers
- Caulking Compounds
- Joint Compounds
- Roof Cements

- Septic Tank Degreasers
- Rodent Poisons

AUTOMOTIVE:

- Fuel Additives
- Antifreeze
- Carburetor Cleaners
- Greast/Rust Solvents
- Transmission/Brake Fluids
- Gasoline/ Gas & Oil Mixtures
- Car (lead-acid), Truck, Motorcycle, or Marine Batteries

HOUSEHOLD:

- Drain Openers
- Spot Remover
- Rug/Wood/Metal Cleaners
- Mothballs/Flakes
- Dry Cleaning Fluid
- Toilet Bowl Cleaners
- Rechargeable Batteries (Lithium, NiCad, or Button)
- Kerosene

OTHER:

- Lead/Mercury
- Reactive Metals
- Acids/Caustics/Solvents
- Flammables/Oxidizers
- Organic Peroxide
- Propane Cylinders under 20 lbs.

Latex paints will not be accepted—they may be air dried or mixed with cat litter and disposed of with your regular trash pickup. Motor oil and tires will not be accepted, but may be brought to your local service station. Call 610-273-3771 for locations for automotive related materials.

Please pack all household hazardous wastes safely in original containers for transport. ★

Minimum Institutional Recycling Requirements

Each owner, operator, or administrator of a school, hospital, nursing home, public agency, restaurant, store, office building, factory, shopping center, condominium, apartment building, or homeowner association must provide for collection of the following recyclable materials at least once a month:

Businesses: Corrugated, white bond/copier/letterhead, and computer paper; aluminum, steel, and bimetallic cans.

Multi-unit residences: 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 into direct contact with food; non-corrugated cardboard. Check with your apartment complex or homeowners association to determine which materials to recycle.

Owners, operators, or administrators of these properties must provide easily accessible and suitable recycling containers and written instructions to each occupant, employee, patron, or resident which clearly describe what materials are to be recycled, how the materials are to be prepared, and how the collection system works. Educational facilities must provide for separation and collection of recyclable materials in classrooms, administrative offices, cafeterias, and dormitories.

For more information about recycling requirements, contact 610-696-5266, ext. 4305. ★

KEEP THIS GUIDE
of Yard Waste
Collections and
Household Hazardous
& Electronic Waste
Disposals handy for
future reference.

Curbside Yard Waste Collection

- Saturday, May 17th
- Saturday, June 7th
- Saturday, July 12th
- Saturday, August 9th
- Saturday, September 13th
- Saturday, October 11th
- Saturday, November 15th (Fall Leaf Collection)
- Saturday, December 6th (Fall Leaf Collection)
- Saturday, December 20th (Fall Leaf Collection)"

Household Hazardous & Electronics Waste Disposal

- Saturday, May 17th:** Owen J. Roberts Middle School
981 Ride Road, Pottstown, PA 19465
- Friday, June 20th:** Coatesville 9th – 10th Grade Center
1425 East Lincoln Highway, Coatesville, PA 19320
- Saturday, September 6th:** New Garden Township Maintenance
8934 Gap Newport Road (Route 41), Landenberg, PA 19350
- Saturday, October 11th:** Chester County Government Services
601 Westtown Road, West Chester, PA 19382