

WINTER 2016/2017

Town Crier

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Winter Town Crier – Mayor's note

The cold weather has finally come on in Lancaster County as the end of the year is upon us once again.

As we rake leaves and retreat to the warmth of our homes, let's take a moment to think about and thank the first responders who serve us day and night.

As the elected official charged with oversight of law enforcement, I have the honor to work with Chief Neil Harkins and his superb team of Manheim Township officers who serve East Petersburg. This past year has been a tough one for police officers around the United States, and unrest at times seems to be the order of the day. I for one am very glad for the professionalism of our local force; there has never been a moment in my years as Councilperson or Mayor where I have had occasion to find fault with our officers. Next year, 2017 marks our 40th year with Manheim Township Police as our police force... let's celebrate that!

I also want to thank the Susquehanna Valley Emergency Medical Service, our local ambulance service. They are also there to answer the call and help our residents, and their team of dedicated employees are on-call day and night, all winter long. Thanks to Mike Fitzgibbons and his organization; watch for their trucks at our community events and be sure to shake their hand.

Lastly, where would East Petersburg be without our outstanding volunteer Fire Company. From the very first East Petersburg Day I attended, I realized that the men and women of "2-3" are an amazing cross-section of the fabric of East Petersburg; successive generations of community servants who are also on-call at any hour of the day or night to roll out and protect our residents and property.

So, even though the cold weather is here, as we gather with our families to give thanks and be together, let's remember our men and women who are there for us.

Thank you!

Jeff Geoghan
Mayor

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John Schick, Member
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MEETING DATES

Borough Council Meeting

1st Tuesday of the month 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission

3rd Thursday as needed 7:00 p.m.

Zoning Hearing Board

4th Wednesday as needed 7:00 p.m.

Sign up for recent news and notifications at eastpetersburgborough.org

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Office Hours

8:00AM-4:30 PM

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BOROUGH EVENTS

EAST PETERSBURG COMMUNITY PARK

6051 Pine Street



Christmas Tree & Wreath Sales have begun at the Community Center

December 3, 10, and 17 - **Santa in the Park** will be held from **9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.** in the Community Center at the Park. Activities include Mrs. Claus' Cookies, Musical Train Table, Dollhouse Display, and Reindeer Food Bar.



December 31 - **New Years Eve in the Square** 10:00 p.m. music by Times Two and Ice Sculpting begins. Jug Drop at midnight!!

January 7 - **Tree Chipping Event** held at East Pete Pool by the Boys Scouts from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00. p.m.

Note: You can drop your tree off during the event or you can sign up at the Borough office to have it picked up by the boy scouts the day of the event (donation requested).



February 4 - **Pot Pie Take Out** held at East Pete Fire Co. from 10:00 a.m. until sold out.

more info available at: eastpetersburgday.com & Facebook page East Petersburg Day

Leaf pick-up dates



December 2
December 16

REMEMBER: DO NOT RAKE LEAVES INTO THE STREET This could block stormwater drains. In accordance with Ordinance #169 you will be fined for this. Please dispose of leaves by placing them into a brown leaf bag. All Borough residents are required to recycle leaves therefore if you put them into the trash they will not be collected.

Upcoming change to trash schedule:

Saturday, November 26 -
due to the holiday

PLEASE NOTE: THE COST OF YARDWASTE/LEAF BAGS WILL INCREASE TO 40¢ STARTING 1/1/2017. THIS IS DUE TO AN INCREASE IN COST.

Christmas Tree Removal

If you are not participating in the tree chipping event on January 7th (see page 2 for details), you will need to have an over-sized item tag attached to your tree to have it collected by the trash hauler on any regular trash pick-up day.

Paper Christmas wrap is recyclable (wrap made with foil, metallic or glitter material is not recyclable). Be sure to remove bows and ribbons.



Flatten and fold the paper before putting it into the bin.

Recycling Rate Update



The Results are in.....
East Pete is recycling at it's
highest rate ever!! The rate
for 2016 is 15.5%! We are get-
ting closer to reaching the
county average of 16.5%.

**KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK
EAST PETE RECYCLERS!!!!**

*We can all
make a
difference.*



DISPOSE OF PHARMECEUTICALS SAFELY

Residents can drop off both prescription and over-the-counter pills at the Manheim Township Police Department located at: 1825 Municipal Drive, Lancaster PA

TEN WAYS TO CONSERVE WATER INSIDE YOUR HOME

Take short
showers instead
of baths

Operate your
washing machine
and dishwasher
when full

Turn the water off
while shaving ,
washing your hands ,
washing your face,
and while brushing
your teeth

Repair
dripping
faucets by
replacing
washers

Consider
installing an
instant water
heater

Insulate your
water pipes to
heat water
faster

Use a refillable
water bottle
instead of using
multiple cups

If the toilet
flush handle
sticks replace or
adjust it

Scrape dishes
instead of
rinsing them and
soak pots and
pans if necessary

Avoid flushing
the toilet
unnecessarily

EVERY DROP COUNTS

Winter Weather Reminders

- * ***Sidewalks*** need to have a clear path of at least 3 feet wide the entire length of your sidewalk within 12 hours of snow, ice or sleet ceasing to fall.
- * ***Vehicles*** should be moved off the road whenever possible so the snow plows can clear the roads from curb to curb.
- * ***Roadways*** are not the place to put your snow. Make sure to put your snow from your vehicle, sidewalk, and drive way on a grass area. Move vehicles off the road whenever possible.
- * ***Driveways*** should be cleared **AFTER** the street has already been plowed if possible. You are not allowed to put snow from your driveway into the roadway. This will result in a fine.
- * ***Fire Hydrants*** should be cleared of all snow in case of an emergency.
- * ***Mailboxes*** should be clear of snow and ice to ensure mail delivery. Make sure your mailbox is in good condition and secure.
- * ***Your patience and cooperation is appreciated*** as we do our best to stay on top of the changing road conditions. Please stay clear of the plows as they work to keep the roadways safe and clear to allow emergency vehicles to get to where help is needed.
- * ***Always have an Emergency plan and keep emergency supplies on hand.***



Please keep storm drains free from snow cover and ice to allow the water to drain and to prevent flooding.