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TOWNSHIP OFFICE SUMMER CLOSINGS

May 28: Memorial Day
July 4: Independence Day
September 3: Labor Day

Penn Township Offices

Hours: Mon-Thurs	7am - 5:30pm
Municipal Office	665-4508
Water & Sewer Billi	ng665-4508
Building/Zoning	665-4508
Sewage Enforcemen	ıt989-8439
Police Department	733-0965

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Why Recycle?

Recycling is one of the best ways for you to have a positive impact on the world in which we live. Recycling is important to both the human and natural environment. The majority of people cite "it's the right thing to do," "saving natural resources," "improving the environment" and "saving landfill space" as reasons to recycle. Not only is recycling an ethically right thing to do, it's also financially smart. Economically speaking, using recycled materials is more cost effective and produces jobs. Huge amounts of energy are used when making



products from raw materials. Recycling requires much less energy and therefore helps to preserve natural resources. Waste or rubbish that could be recycled and isn't also pollutes the air we breathe, the fish and other living things in our waterways, pollutes our water and harms the deer and wildlife in our world.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) led the way with its publication on sustainable materials management. Some states, like Oregon and Maryland, have adopted this plan and are taking steps to become part of the solution to creating a safer and healthier world.

Let's start taking a closer look at the purpose of recycling. Let's put more emphasis on protecting the environment and less on who can set the highest recycling goals. Let's figure out what recycling can realistically achieve and how. Then, let's go out and do it.

Credits: Waste360-Refreshing the Concept of Recycling & Recycling Guide.org.uk

Grasscycling Saves Time and Money

Grasscycling and composting are two techniques residents can use to reduce waste disposal and possible water contamination as well as save time, money and energy while returning valuable nutrients back into lawns and gardens.

Grasscycling means leaving the grass clippings on the lawn. There are many benefits to grass-cycling including:

- Grass clippings are mostly water and nitrogen. They decompose into the grass quickly and return nutrients to the lawn which will result in a greener, healthier lawn.
- Chemicals, such as pesticides, herbicides and insecticides, stay on the lawn to do the intended job.
- Grasscycling saves money by reducing gas consumption, lawn bags and fertilizer. By returning clippings to the lawn regularly, you can reduce fertilizer use by one application per season.
- Grasscycling does not require the use of lawn bags because the clippings are not being picked up. With no clippings to bag, less frequent stopping and starting of the lawnmower saves gas and mowing time and reduces air pollution.

Grasscycling must be done correctly to eliminate water pollution. Clippings should be directed back to the lawn. This is especially important when using a side discharge mower. If clippings are left on driveways, sidewalks or other impervious surfaces, they can end up in surface water or drains. These clips will add nutrients to surface water and increase the growth of algae and other aquatic plants that can deplete oxygen in surface waters.

All mower types can be used successfully for grasscycling. To prevent clumps or discharge onto impervious surfaces when using a side discharge mower, mow toward the center of the lawn toward the discharged clippings to re-cut and distribute over the lawn. This will prevent "windrows" from forming on the lawn. Most rear bag mowers have a flap that covers the discharge shoot when the bag is removed. This allows the clippings to drop right down onto the grass. Mulching mowers pull the clips up into the mower so they can be re-cut into smaller pieces before depositing them on the lawn

Any clips that blow from under the mower onto sidewalks or driveways should be swept or blown back onto the lawn.

When you can't leave the clips on the lawn, collect grass clippings for use as mulch. Use clippings in a thin (0.5-inch to 1-inch) layer around annual and perennial plantings. Remove all weeds before applying mulch. Grass clippings also can be mixed with shredded leaves and spread around plants.

Correction to Penn Township Street Listing on Township Map

The following streets and locations are missing in the listing:

♦	Warehouse Rd	J3
♦	Water Edge Rd	J7
*	Weaver Dr	F7
♦	West End Dr	G4
*	White Oak Rd	. E3-F3
♦	Willoughby Cir	D5
*	W Lexington Rd	
♦	W Newport Rd	
*	Wood Duck Dr	
♦	Wood Lot Rd	J5
*	W Sun Hill Rd	I3
♦	W Willow Dr	F4
*	Westview Dr	I4
*	Zachary Dr	
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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Out Night National held will be Tuesday, August 7th from 6pm to 8pm in Warwick Township at located Target 960 Lititz Pike, Lititz, PA. Free food. games. entertainment and host of local vendors



will be present for an evening of community fellowship.

Want to participate?? Interested vendors can request a Registration Form from Rebecca Zimmerman at the NLCRPD by emailing zimmermanr@nlcrpd.org or by calling (717) 733-0965. Vendors are responsible for their own tables, equipment and supplies. Product sales at the event is strongly discouraged. Raffles, Give-a-Ways and Prize Wheels are standard practice.









Manheim Community Library

15 East High Street. Manheim, PA 17545 Phone: 665-6700 Fax: 665-2470

2018 Summer Reading Program

***Register for events at manheimlibrary.org



Rock Out In July Create a song to

share with the Library <u>or</u> decorate a pet rock for the Library. July 1-31

June- Make Your Own Button Month Pick up your button instructions

June 1-30

Circus School of Lancaster **Family Fun Days** June 18 and June 25 10:00 AM*

Whirled of Wonderment **Hula Hoop Workshop** Monday, July 9 1:00 PM*

Go Green Engineering Thursday, July 12 NOON (Gr. 2-5)*

Family Storytime

Stories, crafts, music, and family fun Thursdays at 10 AM June 21 to Aug. 21

Creative Writing Time Fridays, June 22—July 6 10 AM (Gr. 3+)*

Rhythm and Cues Acting Fridays, **July 13—27** 10 AM (Gr. 3+)*

Double the Fun Tuesdays

- Read to Therapy Dogs Calvin and Hobbes Tuesdays, June 19—July 31 10 AM
- Chopped Challenge for Teens June 19 and August 14 6:00 PM*
- Block Party **July 3—17** 11:30 AM
- Make Music with Pat Kocen July 24 NOON*
- Summer Block Parties are here! Join us for building challenges on Tuesdays, July 11-25; 11AM

Wednesdays

Join us every Wednesday at 10 AM for programs to help encourage interest in music and exploring our world.

- Giggle Magic Toolbox Kidz June 20
- Singing Songwriting June 27
- Science Matters July 11
- Swamp Songs & Marsh Melodies July 18
- Basic Break Dancing July 25***
- Make Some Noise with Nature August 1***
- Rocks are a Blast August 15***



Corduroy and Steven Courtney Kick-off Event Concert Saturday, **June 16** 10:00 AM

Ages 0-19



End of Summer Party! Thursday,

August 23 10 AM



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Manheim Central School District



Flower and Vegetable Gardens

- Mulch flower and vegetable beds with compost or grass clippings to conserve water and control weeds.
- Use fabric row covers to keep pests off sensitive vegetables.
- dentify bugs before you spray, squash or stompthey may be "good bugs" that eat pests.

Tree and Shrub Beds

Mulch shrub and tree beds with shredded wood, leaves or bark once a year to conserve water, reduce weeds and feed the soil.

Lawns

- clippings on the lawn.
- to reduce lawn damage and brown tips.
- Consider saving water by letting some lawn areas (ones that don't get heavy traffic) go brown and dormant until fall.

Watering

- Water at dawn to reduce evaporation.
- Water lawns one inch per week, if no rain, or let go brown and dormant (but water enough to moisten root zone once a month).
- Start and re-check watering systems, and adjust for weather. (Don't water when it rains).

Composting

Add yard debris to compost pile; water pile to keep it moist. Place pile in shade or cover to hold moisture.

<u>Unused or Unwanted Prescription Medication</u>

Is your medicine cabinet full of expired drugs or medications you no longer use? Your medicine is for you. What's safe for you might be harmful for someone else. Don't be the dealer and be liable for lost, stolen, misused drugs or worse, death. You can dispose of your expired, unwanted, or unused medicines through a drug take back program or by using a Rx DropBox located near you.

Flushing drugs down the toilet or throwing them in the trash are also not good ways of disposing of medication. When you do, they become part of the environment either in the water supply or ground/plants changing wildlife behaviors including fish and deer. We in turn consume water from these streams and eat fish and wildlife that have consumed plants and water contaminated or changed by the medication that has been improperly disposed.

Local locations which accept unused/unwanted RxDrugs:

- Sloan's Pharmacy: 73 South Main Street, Manheim, PA 17545 Ph. 717-665-2223 (Note: no liquids or controlled substances, medication must be clearly labelled, additional restrictions may apply)
- Manheim Borough Police: 211 North Charlotte Street, Manheim, PA 17545 Ph. 717-665-2481
- Northern Lancaster County Regional Police Department: 860 Durlach Road, Stevens, PA 17578 Ph. 717-733-0965 M-F 8am-4:30pm
- East Hempfield Township Police Department: 1700 Nissley Road, Landisville, PA 17538 Ph. 717-898-3103 M-F 8am-4pm
- Lititz Borough Police: 7 Broad Street, Lititz, PA 17543 Ph. 717-626-6393 M-F 8am-4:30pm





Commuter Services of Pennsylvania is excited to announce the launch of its new rideshare and rewards program for area commuters. Commute PA will help commuters find rideshare partners as well as reward them for tracking green trips. The program is mobile-friendly to allow easy access directly from a smartphone and is available as an iOS app to download.

carpool, bicycle, walk or vanpool trips for work and earn points for each trip. In addition, users can track and earn points for personal green trips, such as a bike ride to the grocery store or carpool trip to the beach. Those points can then be redeemed for rewards from local and national restaurants, retail locations and entertainment venues. Commuters can also see statistics such as money saved, gallons of gas saved, calories burned and emissions prevented by using an environmentally-friendly commute.

Commuters who use a green commute mode more than two times a week to work can take advantage of the free Emergency Ride Home program as well. Commuters need to track their green commute trips in Commute PA to be eligible and submit the forms. The commuter finds their own transportation for the emergency and Commuter Services of Pennsylvania will then reimburse commuters if they get a taxi, Uber, Lyft or have a family member or friend take them where they need to go.



Membership Specials

SAVE \$25 off the joiner's fee at the LrC, or 1/2 off a guest pass:

June 28: Sunglasses Day

July 20: Lollipop Day

August 24: National Tell a Joke Day

Or at recROC (members—bring a friend free):

July 18: National Obstacle Course Racing Day

August 1: National Mountain Climbing Day

University of Summer: College Break Pass For College Students 18-22 \$95 for LrC or recROC, \$135 for both! Valid May 1-August 31

Join us for:

- 25th Annual Golf Tournament—May 30 at Iron Valley Golf Club
- SANDS Casino Bus Trip—August 2
- Adult Triathlon: 300 August 5
- 41st Annual Pretzel Twist & Kid's Mile Run—September 22
- Youth Triathlon—October 5
- Try-it Classes: Free to the Community



- Summer Camps at the LrC—Art, Basketball, Soccer, T-ball, Field Hockey, Flag Football, Lacrosse, Environmental, Tennis, Princess, Lego, recROC and more
- Be Cool at the Pool! Memberships on sale for Lititz Springs, Manheim Borough and Leola Pools!
- Summer Childcare—Ages 3yrs-6th Grade

Penn Township Residents receive resident pricing on any LrC Membership!



Lititz recROC

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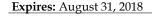
recROC Guest Pass for Penn Twp Residents *present this coupon with the purchase of a recROC guest pass and receive an additional guest pass free

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Make Safe Choices When Buckling Up Children

Children who are correctly buckled in a car seat, booster seat, or seat belt benefit from the single most effective way to protect vehicle occupants and reduce fatalities in a crash. Securing children in age and size appropriate car seats is the best way to keep children safe. It is also important to increase booster seat/ seat belt use among children age 8 through 13 and spread the message that they are safer in the back seat of a vehicle. By educating children and families on the importance of occupant protection, they will make buckling up a habit for life.

- Selection: Choose a car seat, booster seat, or seat belt based on the child's age, height, weight, and developmental level.
 Direction: Children should remain rear-facing as long as possible, until they reach the top height or weight limits allowed by the manufacturer.
- Location: Select a seating position with seat belts that can be locked or approved for LATCH (Lower Anchors and Tethers for CHildren) to secure the car seat. Children should remain in a back seat through age 12.
- Installation: Read and follow the car seat manufacturer's instructions and vehicle manual for guidance on correctly installing and using the car seat, booster seat, and seat belt.
- Harnessing: Place the harness through the correct slots and secure the child snugly with the harness retainer clip at armpit level. You should NOT be able to pinch excess webbing at the shoulder or hips once the harness is buckled.

Before Baby Arrives - Buckling up through all stages of pregnancy is the single most effective action to protect you and your unborn child in a crash. Place the shoulder belt across the chest (between the breasts) and the lap belt secured below the belly across the hips and pelvic bone. Move the vehicle seat back to keep as much distance as possible between the belly and the steering wheel.

Rear-Facing



Under 2 years old?

Secure children in a rear-facing car seat until 2 years of age or until the maximum weight or height allowed by the manufacturer of the car seat. Children younger than 1 year should always ride in a rear-facing car seat. Never place a rear-facing car seat in the front seat with an active passenger-side front air bag.

Traveling rear-facing is 5 times safer than forward-facing.

Forward-Facing



Over 2 years old?

When children outgrow the rear-facing car seat, secure them in a forward-facing car seat with a harness for as long as possible, up to the highest weight or height allowed by the manufacturer of the car seat.

Forward-Facing car seats reduce the risk of injury for children by 71% compared to children using the seat belt only.

Belt-Positioning Booster



Once children outgrow the forward-facing car seat, secure them in a belt-positioning booster seat with a lap and shoulder belt until the seat belt fits properly, typically when a child is approximately 4 feet 9 inches and between 8 and 12 years of age.

Booster seats lower the risk of injury for children age 4 to 8 years by 45% compared to children using the seat belt alone.

Seat Belt



When children outgrow the belt-positioning booster seat, secure them in a properly fitted lap and shoulder belt. A lap and shoulder belt fits properly when the lap belt lays low and snug across the hips/upper thighs and the shoulder belt fits across the center of the chest and shoulder.

The lap and shoulder seat belts reduce the risk of injury by 45%.

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Children younger than age 13 should ride in a back seat.

Any Age, Weight or Height, Always Buckle Your Family Right

Follow basic "correct use" principles to provide education and guidance to child restraint users without compromising the child's safety. Parents must become familiar with their safety belt systems, car seat and other vehicle safety features.

1. READ AND FOLLOW BOTH THE CAR SEAT AND VEHICLE OWNER'S MANUALS TO LEARN HOW TO INSTALL AND CORRECTLY USE A CAR SEAT.

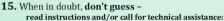
- ♦ Labels on car seats provide important information:
 - Basic instructions for correct installation and use
 - Name, address, and contact information of manufacture ♦ Model Number and Manufacture Date
 - ♦ Expiration Date
- ${\bf 2.}\ {\bf Infants}\ {\bf must}\ {\bf ride}\ {\bf rear-facing}\ {\bf until}\ {\bf two}\ {\bf years}\ {\bf of}\ {\bf age}\ {\bf or}$ until the maximum weight or height allowed by the manufacturer of the car seat.
 - Many convertible car seats are approved for rear-facing use up to 40 pounds and should be considered for children who have exceeded the limits of a rear-facing only car seat.
- 3. Infants always ride rear-facing at no greater than a 45-degree recline angle.
- The correct angle enables the infant to maintain an open airway
- $oldsymbol{4.}$ NEVER place a rear-facing car seat in the front seat of a vehicle with an active passenger-side front air bag.
 - A rear-facing car seat may be used in a front seat only when there is an air bag on/off switch when the switch is in the OFF position.
 - To determine if air bags are present in the vehicle, check the:
 - sun viso
 - dashboard
 - ♦ owner's manual



- ${f 5.}$ Children younger than age 13 should ride in a back seat. Older children can ride in the front seat with an active passenger-side front air bag only when no other back seat position is available and properly secured. Always:
 - push the vehicle seat back as far as pos-
- use the car seat harness or seat belt according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- 6. Children who have outgrown the rear-facing car seat should be secured in a forward-facing car seat with a harness for as long as possible, up to the highest weight or height allowed by the manufacturer of the car seat.
- 7. Place the car seat harness through the correct slots
 - at or below the shoulders for rear-facing.
- at or above the shoulders for forward-facing in a reinforced slot.
- f 8. The car seat harness should not allow any slack. A snug harness:
 - lies in a relatively straight line without sagging.
 - should not, however, be so tight as to press into a child's body



- 9. Seat Belt: Place the vehicle seat belt through the correct belt path following the car seat anufacturer instructions
- 10. Tighten and LOCK the vehicle seat belt according to directions found in the vehicle owner's manual
 - Check for tightness at the seat belt path.
 - The car seat should NOT move more than one inch when pulled side-to-side or front-to-back at the belt path.
- ${f 11.}$ When the seat belt cannot be locked, use one of the following approved methods as directed by the vehicle and/or car seat manufacturer:
 - ♦ Locking Clip/Lock-Off
 - Belt-Shortening Clip
 - Flip the Latchplate Twist the Buckle Stalk
- 12. LATCH (Lower Anchors and Tethers for CHildren): Route the lower anchor connector webbing through the designated belt path following the manufacturer's instructions.
 - ♦ Attach the lower anchor connectors on the car seat to the lower anchors in the vehicle following instructions in the car seat and vehicle owner's manual.
 - Check for tightness at the lower anchor belt path.
 - Attach the tether connector (if applicable) to the tether anchor and tighter Car seat and vehicle manufacturers provide a maximum weight limit for lower anchor and tether use. Lower anchors and tethers should be discontinued when the weight limit is met.
- ${f 13.}$ Children who have outgrown their forward-facing car sea should be properly secured in a booster seat until the vehicle lap and shoulder belt fits correctly, at approximately 4'9" and between 8 and 12 years of age.
- 14. The vehicle lap and shoulder belt can be used safely when the child is able to:
 - Sit with their back and hips against the vehicle seat back without slouching.
 - Bend their knees over the front edge of the vehicle seat and their feet flat on the floor
 - Place the snug shoulder belt across the center of the chest and shoulder
 - Place the lap belt low and snug across the hips/thighs.
 - Stay in position for the entire ride.



- · TIPP: 1-800-CAR BELT or www.pakidstravelsafe.org
- NHTSA: 1-888-dash2dot or www.nhtsa.dot.gov
- www.safercar.gov/parents/index.htm







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