



# The Doylestown Township News

Summer 2014 Newsletter

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## Chairman's Message

by Barbara N. Lyons

Pictured below are members of our Environmental Advisory Council and a group of PECO volunteers who gathered on April 11, 2014 to mulch the area of Central Park that will be home to our Native Plant Species Garden. Headed by Jeannine Mitchell (in red), Ray "Bird Man" Hendrick (pictured in center holding tree) and Steve Dylinski (kneeling in the foreground), the Native Species Garden Team broke ground on March 22 and began clearing invasive brambles and vines, -- much of which we can see alongside roads and property lines -- multi-flora rose, honeysuckle and wild grape.



After the area was cleared, the team, with the help of the PECO volunteers, prepared the site for planting using a "lasagna" technique where compost is layered with recycled newspapers. Thirty- three cubic yards of compost provided by the Township was sandwiched with newspapers gathered by the volunteers and end rolls of newsprint donated by the Intelligencer.

The next phase is dependent on the availability of shrubs and trees, as well as and the ripening of the compost. Donations of native species plants, shrubs and trees are welcome.

The garden will be completed with the installation of native understory trees and shrubs, with native groundcover of ferns and other perennials.

The Native Species Garden Team welcomes everyone who has an interest in gardening and wants to learn more about cultivating native species. If you are interested in donating plants, shrubs or trees to the garden please contact Ashley Thompson, Special Projects Coordinator at the Township.

See more pictures on the next page of the 28 PECO employees from New Business, New Residential Construction Group, Engineering , Construction and Maintenance who contributed their time and muscle to help clean up Central Park on April 11, 2014.

See more photos on page 2

## Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors

Barbara N. Lyons, Chairman  
Richard F. Colello, Vice Chairman  
Ryan Manion  
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The Board meets on the 1st and 3rd  
Tuesday of each month at 7 PM

### Township Staff

Township Manager  
Stephanie Mason  
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### Volunteer Boards and Commissions

Agricultural Security Advisory Council  
Bike & Hike Committee  
Board of Auditors  
UCC Board of Appeals  
Central Bucks Regional Aging Task Force  
Council on the Performing Arts  
Environmental Advisory Council/Shade Tree  
Commission  
Friends of Kids Castle  
Historical Architectural Review Board  
Municipal Authority  
Open Space & Farmland  
Preservation Committee  
Park & Recreation Board  
Planning Commission  
Public Water & Sewer Advisory Committee  
Telecommunications Advisory Board  
Traffic Advisory Committee  
Ways & Means Committee  
Vacancy Board  
Zoning Hearing Board



## A Message from the Road Superintendent

*by Paul Garr*

Happy spring weather! I am so glad that it's finally warming up here. While we appreciate these days, I'd like to take a moment to reflect back on the harsh winter.

A big thank you to everyone who moved their vehicles from the road and shoveled the snow away from the road this past winter. These small actions made our snow removal job that much easier.

Just as the snow started to leave, the potholes appeared. We have been filling them since the plows were off the road. With the constant freeze and thaw alongside the unusually wet weather, it was hard to stay ahead of the game. As potholes were reported, we had them filled in short order. We have filled more potholes this year than any three years combined. We really appreciate the effort our residents put in to reporting these potholes. Not all roads are township owned roads, so we often received information that we passed on to PennDOT. Please continue to call in and report potholes. We will take care of them immediately.

Thank you and have a wonderful spring and summer season!

## Storm Water Hotline

As spring arrives and temperatures begin to heat up, I'm sure that many of us in the Township are happy to see this winter melt away. Though this will be a sweet goodbye to a memorable season for most of us, the ice and snow melt has the potential to cause a series of new problems. As impervious surfaces (notably, roads and parking lots) are constructed, excess stormwater (from melting ice and snow, as well as rain events) has fewer places to be absorbed and purified. This excess water results in a spectrum of issues for the community which include the following: flooding and erosion problems, concentration of flow on neighboring properties, damages to infrastructure, and non-point source pollution (i.e. pollution that comes from the general drainage of the land such as runoff from parking lots and farmland). These clear concerns establish stormwater as a serious community concern.

Storm drains are imperative during high precipitation events. These drains transport the surplus water off the streets and into local bodies of water. As water moves through the drains, it often collects pollutants. To protect these water resources, we ask our residents to take a participatory approach by monitoring and preventing illicit discharge of contaminants into storm drains. Illicit discharge consists of any chemical or item (oil, grey water, used paint, etc.) other than water that is poured into a storm drain. Should you see these contaminants being drained, please report the incident by calling the Doylestown Township Storm Water Hotline: (215) 348-9915. If the Township is closed when you call, please leave a message that includes both the location and time of the incident (providing your name and phone number is optional). Protecting our resources is a community effort, and we appreciate your participation in this initiative!

## Environmental Advisory Council Shred Event - Saturday, June 28th

Doylestown Township Environmental Advisory Council will be hosting a Shred Event. Have you been saving materials to be shredded? TITAN Mobile Shredding will provide this service at the Doylestown Township Building. All material will be destroyed on site and will be recycled. Suggested materials include paper, checks, bills, manila folders, and thin plastic covered reports. Staples and paper clips need not be removed, but please remove large black clips and three-ring binders. In addition, please note that you will not be permitted to shred books, newspapers, and non-paper items. We also ask that you respect a three file box minimum. We suggest that you get to this free event early and be ready to shred away that pile of papers!

Where: Doylestown Township Building (*425 Wells Road*)

Time: 9 a.m. until 12 noon

Doylestown Township

General Information

425 Wells Road

Doylestown, PA 18901

Phone: (215) 348-9915

Fax: (215) 348-8729

Office Hours

Monday through Friday

8:30-4:30 p.m.

[info@doylestownpa.org](mailto:info@doylestownpa.org)

[www.doylestownpa.org](http://www.doylestownpa.org)

[www.doylestownrec.com](http://www.doylestownrec.com)

Government Access Channel

Comcast Channel 22 & Verizon Channel 31

Helpful Phone Numbers

Bucks County Conference & Visitor's

Bureau: 215-639-0300

Bucks County Court House:

215-348-6000

Bucks County Free Library:

215-348-9082

Bucks County Health Department:

215-345-3318

Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority:

215-343-2538

Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce:

215-348-3913

Central Bucks School District:

267-893-2000

Doylestown Borough:

215-345-4140

Doylestown Fire Company #1:

(Non-emergency) 215-348-2656

Doylestown Hospital:

215-345-2200

Doylestown Post Office:

267-880-3918

Emergency: 911

Keystone Collections Group

888-539-1100

PA Game Commission:

800-228-0791

PA Hotline (for State Roads):

800-349-7623

PA Recycling Hotline:

800-346-4242

PennDOT 215-345-6060

Police Non-Emergency:

215-348-4201

Tax Collector:

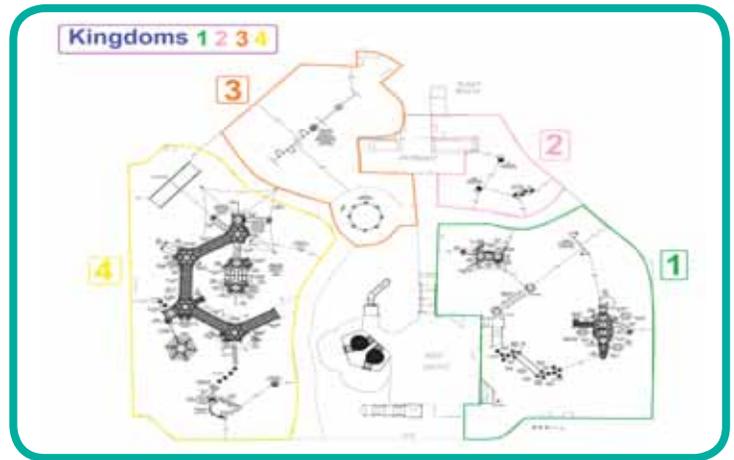
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## Township Receives Governor's Award for Local Government Excellence

On April 15, 2014 officials from Doylestown Township were in Harrisburg, PA at the State Capitol to accept the 2014 Governor's Award for Local Government Excellence. Doylestown Township received this award for its application "Destination Peace Valley Bike/Hike Trail." The category for the award was Intergovernmental Cooperation. The Township along with New Britain Borough and Township and the County of Bucks, have been working to develop the Destination Peace Valley Trail Project. The project supported by the three municipalities and the county received a \$200,000 matching grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the development of the trail.

Construction of the trail should start this summer and will connect to the Township's existing bike/hike trail off Iron Hill Road. The trail will run through the Pine Run Reservoir connecting to Covered Bridge Park. The trail will then cross the tributary and connect to the existing bike/hike trail leading Keeley Avenue to Ferry Road. The trail will eventually continue to Peace Valley Park in New Britain Township as additional funding becomes available.

This award exemplifies the commitment of Doylestown Township to expand the Doylestown Community bike/hike trail system through intergovernmental cooperation.



## Save Kids Castle Update

by Michelle Roemer Schoen

With the long-awaited start to spring, it's finally nice to see longer days, warmer weather, and kids playing at Kids Castle again.

The Friends of Kids Castle recently announced the kick-off of Phase II of its three-phase project. Build the Kingdom at Kids Castle will add new play structures to the areas surrounding the castle and create play environments where children of all ages and abilities can be together and have fun. The play areas will address developmental needs of the whole child by intentionally providing opportunities for physical, cognitive, communicative, social and emotional, and sensory development.

These areas have been divided into four kingdoms, one of which will contain equipment for children under age five, and another that will house a large play piece with ramps from one end to the other that twist and turn while elevating more than four feet off the ground. There will be plenty of multiple play areas accessible to all, including those in a mobility device.

Our fundraising goal is \$600,000. This is a hefty goal, but we know that it can be achieved with continued help from the local and surrounding communities, businesses, and organizations. Please consider making a donation as well as volunteering your time and expertise to Building the Kingdom. The Friends of Kids Castle also seeks individuals with fundraising or marketing experience who can help move this project forward.

To find out more about Phase II, volunteering, or to make a donation, visit [SaveKidsCastle.org](http://SaveKidsCastle.org). Join us on this journey and together we can build the kingdom for all to enjoy!



L to R: Champ Holman, Deputy Secretary PA DCED; Shawn Touhill, Supervisor; Ken Snyder, Supervisor; Stephanie Mason, Twp. Manager; Rick Colello, Vice Chairman; Barbara N. Lyons, Chairman and Jim Cawley, PA Lieutenant Governor

# Property Taxes Alone Don't Even Cover the Cost of Police Protection

by Lee Schwarz, Ways & Means

Resident volunteers on the Ways and Means Committee help the Board of Supervisors solve today's issues and plan the future. They make our finances easier to understand.

Together we enjoy a responsive police department, a well-used park system, and a dedicated staff that serves us well. Considering many of us don't realize that property taxes alone don't cover police protection, what else should we be aware of?

Earned income tax shown in medium blue at the bottom of the chart below is our most important funding source at 31% of the total. Half of the 1% you pay comes to the township; the other half supports the school system. Naturally it plummets in a recession and as more residents retire. That lost revenue will have to be replaced.

Property taxes are a stable funding source. They provide 22% of our needs as you see in the barn red color of the graph. If you thought earned income tax and property taxes provide most of our revenue, you are not alone. Together they supply only slightly more than half of what we need.

## Where we get the other half.

State aid (the purple box) contributes 7% from pension cost assistance and our share of the state liquid fuels tax for road maintenance.

The orange block shows money from the water department to cover costs paid on their behalf through township accounts like benefit contributions, labor costs, etc.

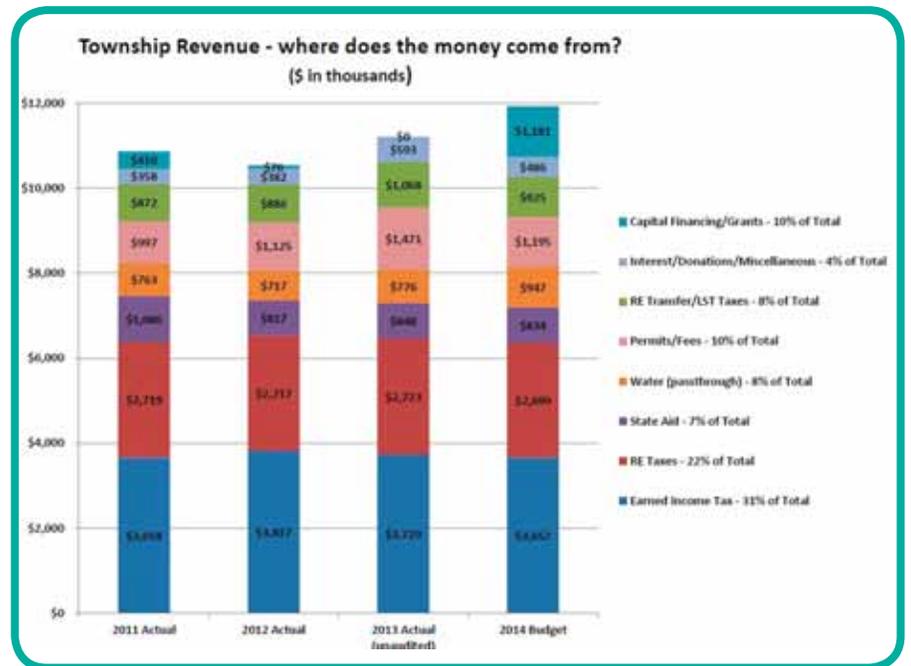
Permits and user fees (the rose colored block) help us keep construction activity safe and compliant with building codes. Permits also help us maintain the quality of township living through regulation of development and best management practices for land use. User fees offset the cost of recreational programs and maintenance of the fields and parks. Fees paid to the township by cable TV companies are part of this category as are law enforcement costs we are allowed to recover.

Transfer tax collections rise and fall with prices and activity as local real estate is bought and sold. Together with the local services tax they comprise 8% of the total as shown in the green block.

Revenue classified as "other" shown in the violet block adds up to 4%. This includes interest earned, miscellaneous receipts, and donations to projects like Save Kids Castle. Donations go into a special account from which the township writes the check.

Seen in the aqua blue block, grants from government agencies and local organizations like PECO and Foundations Community Partnership promote projects like the sensory trail, bike and hike pathways along the Neshaminy Creek with links to New Britain train station and Peace Valley Park. Availability changes drastically from year to year.

We want to keep you in the loop on what's going on in your township. Ways and Means Committee meetings are usually the last Wednesday of the month at 7pm and all are invited. In future newsletters we'll discuss where the revenue goes and the status of our reserves.



## A Message From the EAC

by Ray Hendrick, *Environmental Advisory Council*

Spring has finally arrived, and if you are able to get outdoors you will see signs everywhere. The EAC wildflower and native trees & shrubs demonstration garden is underway with a lot of hard work still in front of us. Bluebirds have returned to nest boxes in the Township parks and the Route 202 Parkway, as well as the Route 611 bypass. Meanwhile far to the south, our colorful migrants are leaving the tropics to come back to our woods and fields: Baltimore orioles, scarlet tanagers, & wood thrushes plus many warblers to name a few.

The EAC committee with the unanimous approval of the Parks & Recreation Committee and our Township Supervisors have set aside Sensitive Environmental Areas in Central Park and the Neshaminy Creek riparian buffer to help us protect threatened rare species of ground nesting birds. These include wood thrush, ovenbird, and woodcock. We encourage all to enjoy the parks but we ask all concerned to stay on the trails and always have your dog on a leash. We also ask for your help if you happen to be outdoors enjoying the season to remind the few who do not leash the dogs or who wander off the trails and tramp through the understory where these birds nest to follow the rules.

We on the EAC are working hard to preserve and protect our township environment.



## Prescription Drug Take-Back Plan Helps Safeguard Public Health

by Senator Chuck McIlhinney

The improper disposal of prescription drugs can create a number of serious health concerns, including water contamination and increased opportunities for prescription drug abuse. The Pennsylvania Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs recently launched a new statewide drug take-back program to allow individuals to dispose of unused and expired prescription drugs safely and easily.

The program involves the installation of up to 250 new MedReturn boxes in 29 counties that allow for the disposal of prescription and over-the-counter medicines anonymously. All pharmaceutical drugs that are being disposed of need to be in a sealed container, such as the original bottle or a zip-lock bag. They may not be disposed of loosely. Personal information should be removed or blotted out with a permanent marker. Liquid pharmaceuticals should remain in the original container.

Items accepted include prescription and over-the-counter solid medications, tablets and capsules, liquid medications, inhalers, creams, ointments, nasal sprays, and pet medicines. While most prescription drugs are accepted, potentially dangerous items like needles, inhalers, aerosol cans, and thermometers are not accepted.

A recent national study showed that approximately one in five high school students has abused prescription drugs, and prescription drug abuse now accounts for more deaths due to overdoses than all street drugs combined. Community residents should be mindful of how they dispose of potentially dangerous substances. At least 18 MedReturn boxes are already available in Bucks County. For more information, including a new interactive map of MedReturn boxes available locally, please visit the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs' website at [www.ddap.pa.gov](http://www.ddap.pa.gov).



## Doylestown Fire Company No. 1 Celebrates 135 Years of Service

This year we are celebrating our 135th anniversary to honor the forward thinking of 25 community-minded gentlemen who, on August 4, 1879, gathered at Heist's Hotel (now the Paper Unicorn) to charter the Doylestown Fire Company No.1.

What's the difference between a fire company and a fire department? A department is a branch of government. Our company is a nonprofit, all volunteer service organization.

There have been several Doylestown fire services over the years. The Doylestown Fire Engine Company was formed in 1825, but it was short lived. In the 1830's there is reference to the Friendship Fire Company of Doylestown. In 1841 there is reference to the Friendship Fire Engine Company being chartered by Associate Judge M. H. Jenks. These companies served, but did not thrive. In 1870, following the Civil War, the Doylestown Engine Company was revived, with Doylestown's famous General W. W. H. Davis elected President and Thomas Webster, Chief Engineer. Finally, in July 1879, following a fire in the stables adjoining the old jail, the need for an efficient fire company again aroused the people of the community. (The fire was caused by inmates throwing lit matches out the window and into the straw, hoping for enough confusion to escape.) Our August 1879 charter followed, creating Doylestown Fire Co. No. 1. The Company developed a revised charter in 1893 and petitioned the Seventh Judicial District on December 28, 1894 for Incorporation. President Judge Harman Yerkes approved the petition on January 14th, 1895.

And our all volunteer fire company is still serving. In 2013 we responded to 545 calls. We accepted delivery of a new

2014 Pierce Quantum Rescue pumper in October and placed it in service during January 2014. Our 1986 rescue truck was sold to Point Pleasant where it will be used to support their water and dive rescue operations. Within the company, F. William Cope began his eighth year as President and Samuel Cramer, Jr. returned as our Fire Chief, having last served in this capacity in 1997.

Thank you for your continued support of our annual fund drive campaign and for joining us at our annual pancake breakfast this past March. You are invited to our annual Open House in support of Fire Prevention Week on the first Friday of October.

We wish you a safe and fire free summer, especially following the extreme winter of 2013-14. "Hero's Welcome" is our recruiting slogan and new members are always welcome in both the Fire Company and Auxiliary. Additional information is available on our website visit us at [www.doylestownfireco.org](http://www.doylestownfireco.org). Be fire safe and don't forget to test your smoke detectors regularly.

## DTMA Annual Water Quality Report by Scott Miele, DTMA Water Superintendent

The Doylestown Township Municipal Authority's (DTMA) 2013 Annual Water Quality Report, also known as the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), is available for viewing. The CCR is available electronically by the direct URL link: <http://www.doylestownpa.org/ccr.pdf>; or by visiting the Township website at [www.doylestownpa.org](http://www.doylestownpa.org); or you may stop by the Doylestown Township Administration building located at 425 Wells Road in Doylestown Township and pick up a hard copy during regular business hours.

If you cannot visit us or you do not have access to a computer and would like to receive a hard copy, please call 215-348-9915 and a hard copy will be mailed to you. For Cedar Crest Farms residents, ask for PWS #1090158.

## Doylestown Township Municipal Authority Fire Hydrant Flushing Program

by Scott Miele, DTMA Water Superintendent

DTMA has begun the annual fire hydrant flushing program throughout Doylestown Township. This program helps to maintain water quality. DTMA staff have been flushing the water system since April and will continue into mid June. Operating DTMA's fire hydrants also allows for inspection of the fire hydrants and the street valves that control the flows to the fire hydrants.

When system flushing is in your area, you may notice discolored water coming from your tap. Also, while flushing is occurring, you may notice lower than normal water pressure. The water pressure will return to normal once flushing is completed. Avoid doing laundry while flushing is occurring. If the water appears discolored, avoid using water to allow the water to settle or you may run the cold tap until clear.

### DTMA Trivia:

**Did you know? An acre foot is a unit of volume. This unit of measurement is used for large scale water reservoirs. This measures the volume of water necessary to cover a surface area of 1 acre to a depth of 1 foot.**

**If an acre is 43,560 cubic feet, how many gallons of water is needed to fill this acre?**

- A) 363,290 gallons
- B) 43,560 gallons
- C) 325,851 gallons

*Answer is on page 10.*

## Residents Concerned with Spikes in Electric Bills

by Rep. Marguerite Quinn (R-Bucks)

Since the start of the year, numerous residents have called my office about recent increases in electric bills – changes brought on by variable rates charged by electric generation suppliers.

The House Consumer Affairs Committee is looking into this matter and recently held a public hearing on this topic in Harrisburg. Those testifying at the hearing included those from the Public Utility Commission (PUC) and electric companies. All who testified shared a concern that greater consumer education is needed so that customers can better understand the differences between variable and fixed rate plans. Complaints have been filed with the PUC from thousands of consumers who say their energy costs spiked to new heights this winter. Consumers also expressed concern about the long wait time, between 16 and 30 days, to switch to a new supplier. The PUC noted that it is investigating whether any companies engaged in unscrupulous business practices that led to higher than normal bills. As investigations continue, and potential solutions are discussed, here's a brief explanation of why this is happening:

Competitive electric generation suppliers are not public utilities and their rates are not subject to government regulation. These suppliers operate in a competitive, free market environment. The terms and conditions of service offered by a competitive supplier are contained in the contracts it offers to customers.

When a consumer signs up for service from a competitive generation supplier, it is important to carefully review the terms and conditions of service, which contain important information regarding the type of rate (fixed or variable), how the rate is determined, if the rate includes taxes and fees, and if the contract is subject to early termination or cancellation fees.

Under fixed rate contracts, consumers are charged the same price for electric generation for the duration of their service contract with a competitive generation supplier. However, variable rate contracts are generally subject to a promotional rate period, followed by fluctuating monthly rates based on wholesale electric prices.

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I cannot stress enough that variable rate changes are based on wholesale market conditions. While these types of contracts may work for some consumers, anyone considering a variable rate contract for electric generation should be aware that the rates are market based, and that dramatic rate increases may occur. Market prices for electric generation are constantly in flux – and greater demand for energy, as evidenced by our cold winter – is one of those factors.

Unfortunately, consumers with variable rate contracts are impacted by these record-breaking wholesale prices, and have seen or will see increases in their monthly bills as a result. However, a large increase in a variable rate does not, on its own, point to inappropriate conduct by an electric supplier.

Customers on a variable rate plan are encouraged to contact their supplier on a regular basis to find out the rate the supplier is charging for that day/month. Customers should also be aware of any early termination or cancellation fees associated with their contracts. If switching to another supplier, please be aware that it takes one or two billing cycles for the switch to be completed. During this time, you will continue to be a customer of the “old” supplier.

We have all heard that, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. I look forward to the Consumer Affairs Committee’s conclusions on this subject, potential actions by the PUC, and I will push for any relevant legislation that will protect consumers from any unfair business practice in the future.

### **Mark Your Calendars**

I would like to honor couples living in the 143rd District who have been married for 50 years or more by inviting them to a “Golden Anniversary Tea” later this Fall. If you, or a couple you know are interested in participating in this special recognition, please call my district office at 215-489-2126 to register. You will be asked to provide the names of the anniversary couple, address, phone number and date of marriage. A personal invitation will be sent via mail to those who register.

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Like us on Facebook:  
[www.facebook.com/  
doylestowntwp](http://www.facebook.com/doylestowntwp)

### **Traffic Advisory Committee**

*by Mark Shiner, Traffic Advisory Committee*

Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) is charged with the responsibility of studying traffic issues within the township and making recommendations for improvements. We review traffic statistics for many of the local roads within the township, which we have been collecting over the last 3 years. This has allowed us to monitor and react to changes that the Rt. 202 Parkway has caused in traffic patterns. It also assists with potential improvements to roads, intersections, signaling, and speed limit changes. New development plans are reviewed for potential traffic implications.

The committee is composed of eight members from the different voting districts in the township. Meetings are scheduled the second Wednesday of every month. Supervisor Ryan Manion serves as committee liaison to the Board of Supervisors. Police Chief Dean Logan is also a key contributor to the committee.

In order for this committee to be effective, we need your help as residents to alert us of traffic issues that need to be addressed. If you have a concern, please submit it by using the webform available on the [www.doylestownpa.org](http://www.doylestownpa.org) site, under Government – Boards and Commissions – Traffic Advisory Committee, or by calling the police department during business hours at 215-348-4201 and registering your concern.

The TAC welcomes your input and hopes to serve the township by making your drive a smooth ride!



## Arbor Day celebrated on April 26th

Volunteers from the Bucks County People to People High School School Delegation, The Unami National Junior Honor Society, along with Ken Snyder; Board of Supervisor, Richard John; Director of Operations, Ray Hendrick, Chairman of the EAC planted 17 trees along the Sensory Trail located in Central Park.

DTMA Trivia Answer: C) 325,851 gallons

## 2014 Bucks County Household Hazardous Waste and Old Electronics Collection Program

### 2014 Bucks County Household Hazardous Waste and Old Electronics Collection Program

Bring your household hazardous waste and old electronics to one of the following scheduled events

#### What can you bring?

Old computers, peripherals, small appliances, and up to 25 gallons or 220 pounds of hazardous products. Please see reverse side for additional information on the types of items acceptable to bring to a collection event. Keep in mind hazardous products will have cautionary words on the label, for example: *Danger, Warning, or Caution*. Other words or phrases that can signal hazardous products include: *poisonous, hazardous, combustible, flammable, corrosive, volatile, caustic, irritant, explosive, toxic, use with adequate ventilation, or avoid inhaling*.



#### When and where you can bring your materials?

Each event will take place rain or shine  
9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

#### 2014 Schedule

Event Type	Location	Date	Address
ELECTRONICS ONLY	Lower Bucks Area	April 5, 2014	Harry S. Truman High School 3001 Green Lane, Levittown Bristol Township
HAZARDOUS WASTE ONLY	Lower Bucks Area	May 10, 2014	Lower Makefield Corporate Center 770 Township Line Road Lower Makefield Township
HAZARDOUS WASTE ONLY	Upper Bucks Area	June 21, 2014	Upper Bucks County Area Vo-Tech School 3115 Ridge Road Bedminster Township
ELECTRONICS ONLY	Upper Bucks Area	June 28, 2014	Palisades Middle School 4710 Durham Road Nockamixon Township
HAZARDOUS WASTE ONLY	Middle Bucks Area	July 19, 2014	Central Bucks South High School 1100 Folly Road Warrington Township
ELECTRONICS ONLY	Middle Bucks Area	July 26, 2014	Central Bucks South High School 1100 Folly Road Warrington Township
HAZARDOUS WASTE AND ELECTRONICS	Upper Bucks Area	August 16, 2014	Quakertown Community High School 600 Park Avenue (Rear Lot) Quakertown Borough
HAZARDOUS WASTE AND ELECTRONICS	Lower Bucks Area	August 23, 2014	Bucks County Technical High School 610 Wistar Road Bristol Township

This program is a community service of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners and participating municipalities and is not open to business, industry, or institutions.



Bucks County Board of Commissioners  
Robert G. Loughery, Chairman  
Charles H. Martin, Vice Chairman  
Diane M. Ellis-Marsaglia, LCW

#### Household Hazardous Waste

##### Why dispose of household hazardous waste?

Household products containing toxic chemicals, like pesticides, oil-based paints, solvents, cleaning products, weed killers and automotive batteries can be a threat to people and the environment if improperly discarded. Never throw these materials into the trash, as the toxic chemicals may harm sanitation workers, or result in fires in collection vehicles. It is also not safe to pour them into a sink or storm drain as they can end up in the environment polluting the air, water, or soil.

#### BRING

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| <b>Household Batteries</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All Button Types</li> <li>- Lithium</li> <li>- Re-chargeables</li> </ul>                                                             | <b>Pesticides</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chlordane</li> <li>- DDT</li> <li>- Malathion</li> <li>- Sevin</li> <li>- Rodent Poison</li> </ul>                                                                                        |
| <b>Lead-Acid Batteries</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Car</li> <li>- Marine</li> <li>- Motorcycle</li> <li>- Truck</li> </ul>                                                              | <b>Propane Tanks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 20 lbs. or less only</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Caustics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ammonia-Based Cleaners</li> <li>- Household Lye</li> <li>- Oven Cleaner</li> <li>- Drain Cleaner</li> <li>- Metal Cleaner</li> </ul>            | <b>Toxics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Photographic Chemicals</li> <li>- Pool Chemicals</li> <li>- Weed Killer</li> <li>- Antifreeze</li> <li>- Rust/Paint Remover</li> <li>- Mercury</li> <li>- CFLs (fluorescent lamps)</li> </ul> |
| <b>Flammables</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Oil-based Paint</li> <li>- Spot Removers</li> <li>- Gasoline</li> <li>- Kerosene</li> <li>- Gas/Oil mixture</li> <li>- Heating Oil</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

#### DO NOT BRING

- LATEX PAINT is not toxic and is water based. Remove lid to allow to air dry or mix with absorbent (e.g. kitty litter) until no longer a liquid and discard in plastic trash bag.
- Asbestos
- Biological Waste
- Explosives
- Gas Cylinders
- Household Batteries (regular alkaline)
- PCBs
- Pressurized CFCs (greater than 1 lb.)
- Radioactive Waste
- Tires

For additional information on disposal options, please contact:

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection  
Recycling Hotline 1-800-346-4242

Bucks County Planning Commission  
www.buckscounty.org/recycling 215-345-3400

#### Electronics

##### Why dispose of old electronics?

Household electronics contain toxic chemicals, like lead and mercury and can be a threat to people and the environment if improperly discarded. Never throw these materials into the trash, as the toxic chemicals may harm sanitation workers, or result in fires in collection vehicles. Take advantage of this recycling program or look online for others. It is becoming easier and easier to find electronic recyclers.

#### BRING

- All Sizes and Types of TVs
- Answering Machines
- Blenders
- Camcorders
- Cell Phones
- Copiers
- CPUs
- Electric Typewriters
- Fax Machines
- Gaming Consoles/Controllers
- Keyboards
- Laptop Computers
- (All makes, models, and peripherals)
- Mice
- Microwaves
- Monitors
- Peripherals
- (Including cards, power supplies and cables)
- Print Cartridges
- Printers
- Radios
- Rechargeable Batteries
- Remote Controls
- Scanners
- Stereo/Tape/CD Players
- Telephones
- Toasters
- Vacuums
- VCR/DVD Players



#### DO NOT BRING

- No Freon containing devices (air conditioners, dehumidifiers, and refrigerators)
- Biological Waste (needles, test strips, etc.)
- Explosives
- Gas Cylinders
- Household Batteries (regular alkaline)
- Large kitchen appliances (stove, refrigerator, etc.)
- Lawn Mowers
- Radioactive Waste
- Tires

If you are unsure whether you can bring an item please call first.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### Septic Management Reminder:

Cycle Three Residents must have their septic systems pumped and inspected and have their well water tested for Coliform bacteria by December 31, 2015. Please remember that although your septic company will send us a copy of your pumper's report, it is the homeowner's responsibility to send a copy of your water test results to the Township. We are located at 425 Wells Rd., next to Central Park. The Health Department is located on Almshouse Road. They do not forward us a copy of your water test.

Remember to maintain a healthy septic system because water conservation is key! Improve your household's water conservation practices by repairing dripping faucets and leaky toilets, running washing machines and dishwashers only when full, decreasing the length of showers, and utilizing water saving features in faucets, shower heads and toilets.

### Township Closures:

Memorial Day - Monday, May 26, 2014  
Independence Day - Friday, July 4, 2014  
Labor Day - Monday, September 1, 2014

### Storm Water Survey:

Visit our website at [www.doylestownpa.org](http://www.doylestownpa.org) to complete our recently added storm water survey. We want to hear from residents about how effective we have been trying to reach you on this topic. The survey will only take about 2 minutes. We appreciate your input!

### Upcoming Events:

*Bike/Hike Independent Walk/Run/Ride Event*  
Sponsored by the Doylestown Bike/Hike Committee  
Date: Sunday, September 28, 2014  
Time: 9 am to 4 pm  
Visit: [www.doylestownpa.org](http://www.doylestownpa.org) for more information

*23rd Annual Doylestown Arts Festival & Thompson Bucks County Classic*  
Date: Saturday, September 13 & Sunday, September 14, 2014  
Time: 10 am to 5 pm  
Website: [www.doylestownartsfestival.com](http://www.doylestownartsfestival.com)  
[www.buckscountyclassic.com](http://www.buckscountyclassic.com)

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#### Almost Fab

July 16 · Central Park · 7:00 pm

#### Jimmy & the Parrots

July 23 · Central Park · 7:00 pm

#### Green Tea Revival

July 30 · Chapman Park · 7:00 pm

Schedule is subject to change · For info visit [www.doylestownrec.com](http://www.doylestownrec.com)



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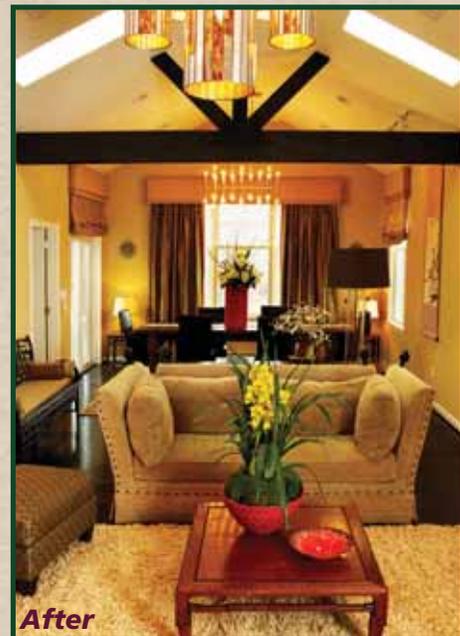
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