

# EAST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP

## Report

— Spring/Summer 2012  —

### DAVE NYMAN RETURNS TO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2012 began with one long-time member of the Board of Supervisors saying goodbye, and another familiar face saying hello.

John Cressman, a dedicated supervisor for 24 years, choose not to run for re-election. He was replaced by Dave Nyman, who previously served on the board.

“Welcome back,” District Judge Charles Baum told Nyman after administering the oath of office during the Reorganization meeting in January.



Nyman is no stranger when it comes to municipal government. He joined Township Board of Supervisors in 1992 and served until 2010. He has been a member of the Planning Commission since 2002.

A retired teacher, Nyman’s leadership skills have made him a popular choice to fill in as a consultant while area municipalities are in management transition. He has worked in Plumstead Township three times, Warwick Township twice, Upper Makefield Township twice, West Rockhill Township twice, and Wrightstown Township twice.

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### 2012 SPRING YARD WASTE COLLECTION \*\* WEEK OF MAY 29 \*\*

Now that the nice weather has arrived, residents will begin the ritual of trimming, pruning and planting. The question is always the same: what should I do with all this yard waste?

Since 2007, East Rockhill has provided curbside collection of yard waste and leaf recycling under requirements imposed by the Department of Environmental Protection under Act 101 of 1988 and Act 140 of 2006.

*Spring yard waste collection is scheduled by district with no registration required. The 2012 Spring Program is as follows:*

- **District I: Collection south of and including Ridge Road during the week of Memorial Day: Tuesday, May 29 and Wednesday, May 30.**
- **District II: Collection north of Ridge Road during the week of Memorial Day: Thursday, May 31 and Friday, June 1.**

*A few important reminders about the program:*

- Have your yard waste out by the curb by 7 a.m. of the first day of your collection.
- Leaves or grass clippings are NOT

permitted; tree branches and brush only.

- Place tree limbs and branches in neat piles at the edge of the road or driveway.
- Branches are limited to six (6) feet long and no greater than five (5) inches in circumference.
- Piles for pick-up are limited to four (4) feet wide, four (4) feet high, and six (6) feet long.
- Please be patient - it may take several days to complete collections throughout the Township.

If you miss the curbside collection or have additional yard waste, the East Rockhill Township Drop-off Center is open Monday through Saturday, from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on Sunday, from 6 p.m. to noon for township residents and residential personal recycling only; commercial landscapers are not permitted. The center is monitored electronically, and violators will be prosecuted.

Having tried it both with bags and without, the Township is now asking that no bags be deposited with the leaf and yard waste.

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## Nyman Returns to Board of Supervisors

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“I continue to believe in our Township and the need for positive, knowledgeable leadership,” he said. “To support that, I believe the municipal management consulting that I do continues to bring fresh, proven ideas to East Rockhill.”

In addition to serving as a supervisor, Nyman is a member of the Pennridge Chamber Board of Directors, the Bucks County Planning Commission, and the Pennridge Community Senior Center Advisory Board. He also represents the township and the chamber on the Pennridge Area Coordinating Committee.

Incumbent Gary Volovnik was elected Chairman of the board, while Jim Nietupski was elected Vice Chairman.

The reorganization also included the announcement that the three board members will not be accepting their \$1,875 per year pay this year. “I’m not in this for the money. None of us are,” Volovnik said following the January 3 meeting. “We’re doing it for the community.”

Meanwhile, the board appointed Marianne Morano treasurer/secretary/open records officer, filling what is currently the township’s top administrative position after the resignation of the Manager.

The board’s scheduled meetings for 2012 continue to be the work session on the second Tuesday of the month and the regular business meeting on the third Tuesday or as noted on the

website calendar. Starting time for the meetings at the township building on Ridge Road is 7 p.m.

Board appointments made at the reorganization meeting included:

- Nietupski and Volovnik to the Pennridge Regional Police Commission with Nyman as the alternate;
- John Cressman to the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority with Nietupski as the alternate;
- Nyman to the Pennridge Area Coordinating Committee with Nietupski as the alternate;
- Volovnik as Public Works liaison
- Anne Fenley to the Vacancy Board.
- Greg Lippincott is elected auditor, with two other auditor spots vacant.
- Jeffrey Scholl is East Rockhill’s director of public works, emergency management coordinator and recycling coordinator.
- John Rice of Grim Biehn & Thatcher is township solicitor
- Scott MacNair of Clemons Richter & Reiss is special counsel for the Select Properties Conditional Use application
- C. Robert Wynn & Associates are township engineers
- Judy Stern Goldstein of Boucher & James is township planner
- Mercuri and Associates are township hydrologists
- Heritage Conservancy is the open space consultant
- Dunlap & Associates are the appointed auditors.

## *Rest in Peace - Bert Daikeler, 1929 - 2012*



The township officials and staff are saddened to note the passing of Bert Daikeler, a member of our Planning Commission since 2010. Mr. Daikeler died on Saturday, January 7 in Doylestown Hospital. He was 83 and the husband of Dorrie Wolford Daikeler.

At the time of his death, Mr. Daikeler was Commander of the Hartzell - Crouthamel American Legion Post 280 in Perkasio.

Bert was an avid sailor, a collector of orchids, a pilot, worked with stained glass, a coin collector, loved his Morgan horse and was a member of the Rottweiler Club.

Bill Barnish has replaced Mr. Daikeler on the board.

## Sign up for Agenda and Minutes Via Email

If you would like to have board agenda, approved meeting minutes and other timely news items delivered directly to your inbox, send an email to [staff@eastrockhilltownship.org](mailto:staff@eastrockhilltownship.org) and put “Meeting Updates” in the subject line. Be sure to include your name and email address.



## Resolve to be Ready for Emergencies in 2012

The Federal Emergency Management Agency is encouraging all Americans to Resolve to be Ready in 2012 by taking simple steps to prepare for emergencies.

As a recent report by the National Climatic Data Center highlights, 2011 saw more billion-dollar natural disasters than any year on record. The U.S. experienced its first hurricane landfall since 2008, the most deadly series of tornadoes since the 1950s, significant earthquakes and severe flooding - hazards that impacted every region of the country. All of these events have served as important reminders that disasters can strike anytime, anywhere, and being prepared is one of the most effective things we can do to protect our homes, businesses and loved ones.

FEMA's Region III's Administrator MaryAnn Tierney is urging everyone to be prepared through three simple steps: get an emergency supply kit; make an emergency plan; and be informed of the hazards in your area.

"One of the most important lessons we can take away from

devastating storms such as Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee is that disasters can impact all of us, no matter what part of the country we live in," said Tierney. "They can range from flooding and earthquakes to tornadoes. While we can't control where or when they might hit, we can take steps in advance to prepare for them - everyone's proactive preparedness efforts can go a long way toward protecting and empowering families, businesses, homes and entire communities to become their own emergency managers. Resolving to be Ready in 2012 could be the most important pledge you make this year."

Americans across the country have already proven that making emergency preparations in advance can pay off. By making a resolution to take a few preparedness steps in advance, you can minimize the impact of an emergency on you, your family, or your businesses.

To take the pledge: [www.ready.gov/pledge](http://www.ready.gov/pledge).  
For more information on how to get prepared:  
[www.Ready.gov](http://www.Ready.gov) or [www.Listo.gov](http://www.Listo.gov).



### Reminder:

#### **No Open Burning Allowed in the Township**

The Township's Code Enforcement Department and Pennridge Regional Police would like to remind residents that the burning of trash and recyclable materials

-- including leaf and tree waste -- is prohibited by Township Ordinance in compliance with Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection regulations.

## HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT THE PERKASIE FIRE COMPANY

With its substation in the Township, the Perkasio Fire Company provides valuable, life-saving services to our residents. Here are a few ways you can help support their efforts:

**PERKASIE FIRE COMPANY CARNIVAL** – June 26-30

**PENNRIDGE COMMUNITY DAY** – July 8

**ANNUAL FIRE CO. OPEN HOUSE** – October 1

**APPLIANCE AND SCRAP METAL BENEFIT**

Saturdays, May 26, June 23, July 28, August 25, September 22, and November 24 ~ 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Do you have some old household appliances or other scrap metal lying around? Sure you do, don't we all? The Perkasio Fire Company will be accepting household appliances these items for free and recycling them ecologically. Appliances with refrigerants (refrigerators, freezers, air-conditioners, dehumidifiers, etc.) will be accepted for a small donation of \$30 to properly remove any harmful chemical. Drop off will be held at Schoeller's Inc., 419 S. 5th Street in Perkasio.

**ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST**

Sundays, June 17, September 16 and October 21 ~ 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

The menu includes eggs, pancakes, waffles, cream dried beef, sausage, bacon, scrapple, home fries, assorted juices, coffee and more. They're also having a 50/50 drawing. The cost for breakfast is \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children ages 4-12. Kids 3 and under eat for free. *Our "All-You-Can-Eat-Breakfasts" are held on the third Sunday of each month, except in July and August.*

For more information on these events, visit our [perkasiofd.org](http://perkasiofd.org) or call 215-257-6950.

## UPDATE ON TOWNSHIP ACTIVITIES

### 5th Street Basin

Thanks to the award of a Growing Greener Grant from Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, and a matching grant from the Bucks County Open Space Program, the Township is moving forward with an upgrade to the 5th Street detention basin. The new basin will be planted with native vegetation to provide a diverse ecosystem designed to treat stormwater runoff. The goal of the project is to reduce and mitigate non-point pollution from salts and sediments from public streets and fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides from residential and agricultural areas within the drainage area that drain from the basin into the East Branch of the Perkiomen Creek.

Earth-moving activities will start mid-summer, followed by planting and project completion in the fall.

### Tohickon Campground

Travel Resorts of America presented the Board of Supervisors with a proposal seeking zoning relief to expand and upgrade the Tohickon Campground. Although the Supervisors recognize Travel Resorts was prepared to make substantial investment and improvements to the current campground, due to overwhelming resident opposition, Supervisors decided not to authorize staff to pursue any zoning amendments as proposed by Travel Resorts.

### 1731 Old Bethlehem Pike

As has been reported previously, this Conditional Use Application was granted conditional approval, but the conditions have been appealed by the applicant with a resolution still pending.



### Rockhill Road Bridge

The township plans to take out a \$1 million loan to replace the Rockhill Road bridge over Three Mile Run Creek. Revenue from an Infrastructure Tax will be used to pay off that loan over the next 20 to 30 years.

The township plans to seek 80-percent reimbursement from the State for the bridge work to reduce the burden on local taxpayers. Design work has already been started. Actual



construction is expected to begin in April 2013.

### 1510 Ridge Road Purchase Agreement

Supervisors are looking to connect the municipal complex with the Willard H. Markey Centennial Park. An application has been submitted to the Bucks County Open Space Committee for a portion of the purchase price, with the remainder to come from township open space funds and five acres from general funds for possible future municipal use. An agreement of sale has already been executed. The Township is now doing our due diligence before actual closing later this summer.

### Christ Church Settlement

As part of a land acquisition agreement, the Township was to provide Christ Community Bible Church with sewer service whenever the service becomes available.

Due to the Church's failing septic system, and that sewer service is not in the foreseeable future, an amended settlement agreement was approved and a payment of \$36,000 was made to the Church.

If public sewer becomes available in the future, the Church will be responsible for the cost of sewer connection.

### Farmland Lease

This spring, we have a new tenant farming township-owned land. The Supervisors reached out to all East Rockhill farmers who might be interested in farming township land. Resident Jimmy Harris has taken over eight fields covering 109 acres at 1920 Ridge Road.

### Road Work Proposed

Two significant road improvement projects are scheduled for this summer, East Rockhill's portion of White Road will be paved and Richlandtown Road between Covered Bridge Road and the Haycock Township line will receive an overlay.

Please be careful when you are driving in the area of these projects.

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## PENNRIDGE REGIONAL SENIOR CENTER NEWS

The Pennridge Community Senior Center in Silverdale has entertaining events planned for 2012! You can participate in any of the activities, regardless of age. All residents 55 years and older are invited to join the Center.



### DINNER DANCES

Come and join us at the Pennridge Community Senior Center (145 East Main Street in Silverdale, PA) for a wonderful evening of great food and fabulous live bands. The fourth Friday of each month (except November and December) we will be dancing at the Senior Center. Be sure to put these dates on your calendar:

*Singles and couples are welcomed. Membership is not required!*

#### May Flowers Dinner Dance

May 25: The Blue Notes

#### Picnic Dinner Dance

June 22: The Kevin Kelton Band

#### Beach Party Dinner Dance

July 27: The Gary Dee Band

#### Luuu Dinner Dance

August 24: The Blue Notes



#### Autumn Daze Dinner Dance

September 28: The Gary Dee Band

#### Harvest Dinner Dance

November 9: The Kevin Kelton Band

#### Holiday Dinner Dance

December 14: The Blue Notes

#### New Year's Eve Party

December 31: to be announced

Dinner & Dance is \$18 per person. Dance only is \$10. Buffet reservations are required. For tickets and information call 215-453-7027.

The **SPRING LOTTERY CALENDAR TICKETS** are now available. The proceeds will be used to help pay the Center Mortgage. They are \$10 each and you have 92 chances to win \$25 to \$100.

There are many activities at your Senior Center both day and evenings. Anyone can participate in the activities regardless of age. All residents 55 years of age and older are invited to join the Center. Annual dues are \$10.

*The Pennridge Regional Senior Center, on Route 113 in Silverdale, is a great resource for fun, affordable activities in the Pennridge community. Some new activities at the center are Line Dancing, Numbs, Exercise Class, Bingo, Billiards, and many kinds of card playing. There is something for everyone, so be sure to stop over and use this GREAT facility. Call the Senior Center for more information at 215-453-7027.*

## 2012 BUDGET UPDATES

As most residents know, the township Board of Supervisors and Administration have been working hard to reduce costs while still providing quality essential services. Here are a few situations to be aware of:

The cost of disposing of yard waste has increased. What used to be free has become an expense for the Township. Due to the popularity of the yard waste containers, the hauler has started charging for the service. The container gets emptied weekly -- and twice a week during peak usage -- at a cost of \$100 each, with an extra charge for anything that does not meet the posted requirements.

On the other hand, thanks to the mild winter, we did not have to use as much salt as expected. In 2010-2011, we used 425 tons of salt. In 2011-2012, we used only 150 tons of salt.

We've also experienced a savings due to the reorganization of our township administration. We expect to save just under \$50,000 this year, and about \$68,000 in 2013.

However, because the staff has been reduced, there may be times the Township building is closed due to vacation schedules. Every effort will be made to post expected closings in advance.

*We apologize for any inconvenience.*



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## LOCAL DISTRICT COURT CASELOAD INCREASES

By Charles W. Baum, District Judge, 07-2-03

As expected, the area's District Court caseload increased significantly since the coverage area was expanded in September 2010.

"Our overall caseload has increased by over 50 percent in the past two years," said Judge Baum, who began his seventh year as magisterial district judge in January.

Baum explained that his office took over all State Police cases in Trumbauersville Borough and Milford Township because of a high caseload in their former court in Quakertown. The increased territory resulted in one additional full-time clerk being reassigned from Quakertown to Perkasia. The Perkasia court also covers Perkasia and Sellersville boroughs, East and West Rockhill townships and the Bucks County side of Telford Borough. The district court is located in the Re-Max building at Seventh and Market streets in downtown Perkasia, across from the town clock.

As a result of the change, Perkasia court's caseload increased by 26 percent in 2011, following a 25 percent increase for 2010. Criminal cases showed the largest increase, rising 56 percent to 473 cases versus 303 in 2010. Motor vehicle cases increased by nearly one-third, from 3083 in 2010 to 4004 for 2011. Other areas of increase were in non-traffic cases (such as disorderly conduct, ordinance violations, state game citations and school truancies), landlord-tenant disputes, and civil cases involving monetary judgments under \$12,000.

All 550 district courts across the commonwealth converted to a new statewide computer system over the past year. Bucks County's 20 district courts also saw increased use of video technology for arraigning defendants, rather than having police departments transport criminals back and forth.

The Perkasia court receives the majority of its citations and criminal complaints from four local departments: Perkasia Borough Police, Pennridge Regional Police, Telford Borough Police and Pennsylvania State Police. For most citizens, this "grass roots" level of the judicial system is often the only court that residents will ever encounter.

Judge Baum was re-elected in November to a second six-year term, which runs until 2018. He was previously the third-generation editor, publisher and owner of the Perkasia News-Herald for nearly 35 years.

Perkasia District Court is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; the telephone number is 215-257-5181.



District Justice Charles H. Baum



### Need to Safely Dispose of Old Medications?

The Pennridge Regional Police Department is taking part in a "drug take back" program coordinated by the Bucks County District Attorney's Office, the County Detectives, and the DEA.

The Department purchased a Med Return drop box, which is located in the waiting room of the PRPD building at 200 Ridge Road. Citizens can drop unwanted medication into the box anonymously with no questions asked. The box is routinely emptied and medications promptly turned over to the District Attorney's office for proper disposal.

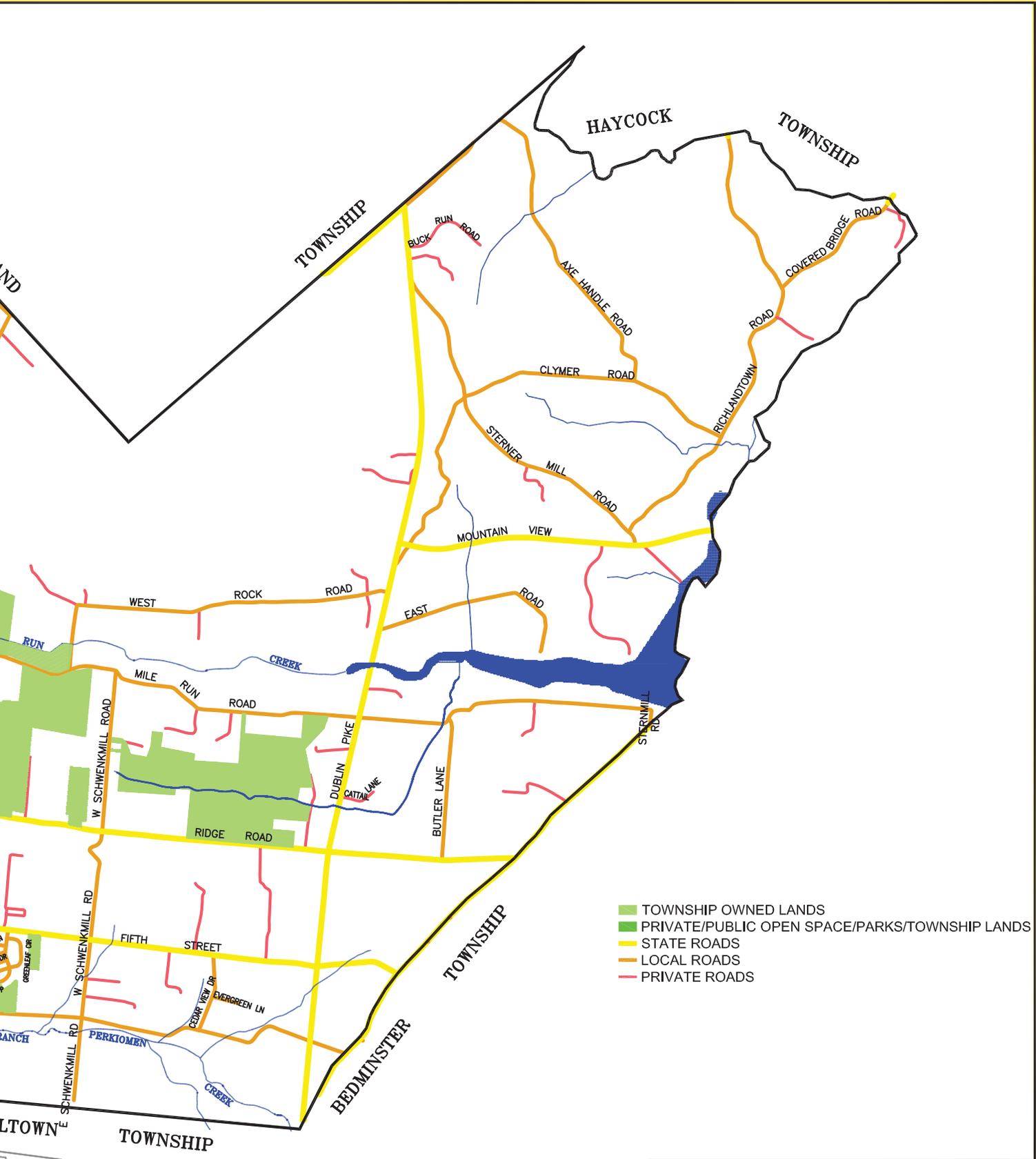
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## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE & Old Computer Collection Program

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Please take advantage of this service, which is provided free of charge to county residents. You can take your materials to any of the collection sites.

### Here are the dates for 2012:

#### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ONLY

Saturday, June 9 - 9am - 3pm

Upper Bucks County Vocational Technical School, 3115 Ridge Road, Perkasié  
(Bedminster Township)

Saturday, August 18, 9am - 3pm

Quakertown High School, 600 Park Avenue, Quakertown

#### ELECTRONICS ONLY

Saturday, June 30, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Pennridge High School, 1228 N. Fifth Street, Perkasié

Saturday, August 11, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Upper Bucks County Government Services Center, 261 California Road, Quakertown



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#### ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- **Paint Products:** oil-based paint, paint thinner, turpentine, shellac, stains and varnish, furniture stripper and finisher, wallpaper cement.
- **Automotive Products:** grease and rust solvents, fuel additives, motor oil, antifreeze, gasoline, carburetor cleaners, transmission/brake fluid, lead acid batteries.
- **Outdoor Products:** swimming pool chemicals, weed killers, septic tank degreasers, asphalt sealers, caulking compounds, joint compounds, roof cements, rodent poison.
- **Household Products:** drain/oven cleaners, rug cleaners, kerosene, toilet bowl cleaners, adhesives/solvents, mothballs/flakes, spot removers, dry cleaning fluid, wood and metal cleaners.
- **Electronic Equipment:** CRT monitors, CPUs, cameras, cell phones, fax machines, scanners/printers, television sets (30 inches and smaller), computer peripherals.



#### ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE

- **Latex Paint** (it's not hazardous; dispose in trash after it is dried out completely)
- **Alkaline Batteries** (they are not hazardous – dispose in trash if made after 1996)
- **Appliances/White Goods:** contact your trash hauler to schedule a pick up)
- **Explosives and Ammunition:** contact your local police department or the Montgomery County Bomb Squad (610-278-3331)
- **Tires:** bring to a County Tire Collection Event or call 610-278-3618 for additional options
- **Infectious or Medical Waste**
- **Radioactive Waste**
- **Asbestos**
- **Air Conditioners, De-Humidifiers, Refrigerators:** contact your trash hauler to schedule a pick up or call 610-278-3618 for more information. For working refrigerators, contact PECO at 1-888-5-PECO-SAVE

## EAST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP TRASH & RECYCLING PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Republic Services, previously known as Allied Waste and BFI, was the winning bidder for the trash and recycling hauling contract for the Trash District in East Rockhill.

While residents of the Trash District are required to use Republic, East Rockhill residents outside the Trash District may “opt in” to the contract service and pricing for the balance of the contract term.

What this means is that if you live outside the trash district, whether you have Republic Services or another hauler, you are free to contact Republic at any time between now and the end of the contract term to get the same pricing and service as the Trash District. The contract term runs from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. Should you choose to opt in, you will be required to stay with Republic through the end of the contract.

### ***Following is the description of the services and pricing included in the contract.***

- Residents may choose cart service or “per bag service.” For 2012, each resident will be invoiced \$60.30 per quarter for the cart service. This price includes two 96-gallon carts, one for trash and one for recycle.
- Alternatively, residents may opt not to have a trash cart, but



choose the “per bag service.” In this case, residents will be billed \$55.50 per quarter and will buy bags from Republic at a cost of \$2.50 for a pack of 10 bags. A 96- gallon cart will still be provided for recycling.

- The larger recycle cart will be extremely valuable because all residents will be able to enroll in the

Recyclebank rewards program, which pays reward points to residents based on the volume they recycle. Because Republic collects recycling single stream, you will be able to put ALL recycling in one container without sorting your materials. The more you recycle, the more points you earn for discounts and specials at your favorite local shops and restaurants.

The service also includes unlimited bulk item pickup at no additional charge. Residents who elect to have the 96- gallon trash cart do not have to schedule these pickups in advance. It will be included in the weekly trash service. Residents who choose the per bag service will have to schedule bulk pickups in advance and will be billed \$25.00 per item.

If you have any questions regarding the trash and recycle service, please call Republic’s Customer Service Department at 215-723-0400 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. and noon on Saturday.

## REMINDER ABOUT TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTION

States Acts 101 and 140 requires municipalities with more than 5,000 residents to require every resident to have solid waste collection and participate in a recycling program that includes leaf and yard waste. The acts also require that all commercial, institutional and municipal establishments have waste and recycling service that includes leaf and yard waste.

East Rockhill Township is a mandated community and must be in compliance to receive state aid and grant funding. Residents, businesses and institutions not in compliance and/or caught illegally dumping are subject to fines and penalties enforced by East Rockhill Township.

### **THE EAST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING CENTER**

The Residential Recycling Center is open for all East Rockhill Township residents. Located at 1622 N. Ridge Road behind the municipal building, the center accepts: paper, cardboard, glass and plastic bottles, and other residential plastics. A yard waste container is available for non-commercial resident use; however, during peak times of the year it is often full or being emptied. If you plan to come during business hours, the Township recommends calling ahead. PLEASE, NO LOGS OR TREE STUMPS.

### **SINGLE-HAULER TRASH DISTRICT**

The trash district, Pines at Pennridge II & III and Cedarbrook Crossing, receives trash service through a township-bid single hauler contract. The current contract is with Republic Services and includes weekly collection of trash and recycling and optional Christmas tree collection and monthly yard waste collection (pay per bag). The current contract runs through the end of 2014. Republic Services can be contacted at 215-723-0400.

### **PRIVATE COLLECTION**

Those who do not live within the trash district must arrange for trash pick-up with a private hauler approved by the state Department of Environmental Protection. Trash haulers in East Rockhill Township must provide both trash and comingled recycling collection as part of the normal collection fee. They also must provide at least one collection each of leaves and garden materials, tree trimmings, and Christmas trees. The following are known trash haulers working within the township. A listing here does not imply an endorsement by East Rockhill Township. If you feel a company is missing, please contact the township.

Republic Services 215-723-0400 <a href="http://www.republicservices.com/allied.html">www.republicservices.com/allied.html</a>	G&C Waste Services 610-313-9710 <a href="http://www.gcwaste.com">www.gcwaste.com</a>
Ches-Mont 610-584-5450 <a href="http://www.chesmont.com">www.chesmont.com</a>	JP Mascaro 215-721-1600
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## Have Your Next Outdoor Gathering at

# Markey Park



*The Markey Park Picnic Pavilion is available for reservation for family or company picnics.*

*The non-refundable permit fee:*

- for parties less than 25 people is \$35
- for parties more than 25 people is \$75.

*If you have to cancel, the permit fee can be applied to an alternate date within a year.*

*A refundable deposit/security deposit of \$100 is required and is returned as long as the facility is left in the same condition as it is found.*

The application to reserve the Markey Park Pavilion can be found on the township's website.

Please remember that all dogs must be on a secured leash and pet owners are expected to pick up after their pets.

## GOLF DRIVING RANGE



### Automated Token System

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# West Rockhill Historical Society News

The new Arcadia Press book, "East and West Rockhill Township" is for sale at West Rockhill Historical Society meetings, the East Rockhill Township Building and retail stores. See old photos of places, friends, neighbors and relatives. Learn about the people, events, and history that have shaped the Rockhills.

West Rockhill Historical Society is putting together a collection of recipes with antidotes and household hints. For example: Does anyone have recipes for Quakertown Pie, Fisch Pie and/or Shoofly Pie? Please send your recipes and household hints to West Rockhill Historical Society P.O. Box 282, Sellersville PA 18960.

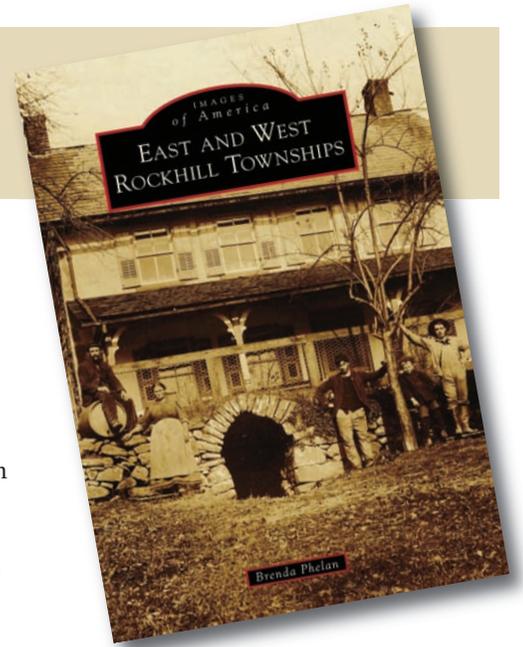
The West Rockhill Historical Society meets on the second Monday of the month at West Rockhill Township Building, 1028 Ridge Road. All are welcome to attend.

Our programs in the past have been very informative and entertaining. The Christmas Party this past year was highlighted by the performance of three generations of the Klinger Family. There are a number of interesting programs being scheduled for this coming year.

Watch for announcements for the dates of these upcoming speakers: Ron Walter - Antique Kitchen Utensils and Bob Hurford - Calligraphy, Importance of Handwriting, a Lost Art. Visit [www.westrockhillhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.westrockhillhistoricalsociety.org).

The West Rockhill Historical Society would like to thank Andrew K. Kratz on behalf of the Kenneth Kratz Family Charitable foundation for their generous contribution.

Membership is open to anyone interested in the history of West Rockhill Township. Members can participate as "active" or "contributing" members. Annual dues are \$10 payable each September (\$15 Family Membership) however, membership is encouraged at any time during the year.



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## WEST ROCKHILL HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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## PLAYGROUND SAFETY

*A quick checklist for parents*

Place this list in a prominent area of your home for quick reference. Then, before your children head out the door for the playground, check that:

### **Supervision is present, but strings and ropes aren't.**

Adult presence is needed to watch for potential hazards, observe, intercede and facilitate play when necessary. Strings on clothing or ropes used for play can cause accidental strangulation if caught on equipment.

### **All children play on Age-appropriate equipment.**

Preschoolers, ages 2-5, and children ages 5 -12, are developmentally different and need different equipment located in separate areas to keep the playground safe and fun for all.

### **Falls to surface are cushioned.**

Nearly 70 percent of all playground injuries are related to falls to the surface. Acceptable surfaces include hardwood fiber/mulch, pea gravel, sand and synthetic materials such as poured-in-place, rubber mats or tiles. Playgrounds surfaces should not be concrete, asphalt, grass, blacktop, packed dirt or rocks.

### **Equipment is safe.**

Check to make sure the equipment is anchored safely in the ground, all equipment pieces are in good working order, S-hooks are entirely closed, bolts are not protruding, there are no exposed footings, etc.



Checklist is from the National Program for Playground Safety (NPPS) at [www.uni.edu/playground/](http://www.uni.edu/playground/)

## East Rockhill Township Contact Information

1622 N. Ridge Road, Perkasie, PA 18944

Telephone: 215-257-9156 • Fax: 215-257-1299 • [www.eastrockhilltownship.org](http://www.eastrockhilltownship.org)

### **Board of Supervisors:**

Gary W. Volovnik, Chair  
Jim C. Nietupski, Vice-Chair  
David R. Nyman, Member

### **Meetings:**

**The Board of Supervisors:** Work Sessions are the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. and Regular Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., unless posted otherwise

**Planning Commission:** Work Sessions are the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. and Regular Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m., as needed.

**Zoning Hearing Board:** meetings are scheduled as needed

**UCC Joint Appeal Board:** Second Wednesday of month as needed at 7 p.m.

**Recreation Committee:** 4th Thursday of every other month at 7 p.m., as needed.

### **Administrative Staff:**

*Township Secretary/Treasurer:*  
Marianne K. Morano  
*Building Inspector & Zoning Officer:*  
Michael Gardner  
*Public Works Director:* Jeff Scholl  
*Bookkeeper:* Allyson Lowe

### **Email Addresses:**

staff@eastrockhilltownship.org  
inspector@eastrockhilltownship.org  
works@eastrockhilltownship.org

### **Pennridge Regional Police Department:**

200 Ridge Road  
Sellersville, PA 18960  
Non Emergency Telephone: 215-257-5104  
Emergency Telephone: 911

### **Tax Collector: Kathleen Percetti;**

Mailing address:  
P.O. Box 68, Perkasie, PA 18944  
Telephone: 215-453-8866  
Office Address: 2037 Hill Road,  
Sellersville, PA 18960

### **OFFICE HOURS & PHONE NUMBERS**

**Administrative Office:** Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, unless posted otherwise, 215-257-9156

**Road and Public Services:** Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm, 215-257-9156

**Building and Zoning:** Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm 215-257-9156

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