

News, Resources, Current Events and Other Information for Residents and Property Owners of West Chillisquaque Township -- Northumberland County

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Community Days -- See page 3 for a complete run down on this annual celebration

Brush Policy -- See page 2 for information on brush disposal

Yard Sales -- Planning to have a yard sale; check out the information on page 2.

Upcoming Township Meetings:

Monday June 7th at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday July 13th at 7:00 p.m.

Monday August 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

Emergency Management

Update: We are pleased to announce that Matt Reed has agreed to be EMA Coordinator and Jennifer Weaver will be an assistant. This will need to go through County and State Approval. Please see "Help Wanted" on Page 2.

Census Reminder: If you have not returned your 2010 Census documents, please do so. Census workers will be visiting homes who have not returned the forms. Remember, that some of the funds received by the township are determined by an accurate population count.

"Who Ya Gonna Call??"

The following is contact information you may find useful for Township business and issues (570 Area Code):

Township Municipal Building – 523-3911

This is an un-staffed office – leave a message and your call will be returned in several business days or call one of the other numbers below as appropriate.

Township Maintenance Building/Roadmaster 742-8102

Township Supervisors:

Vaughn Murray, Chairman 524-0460

Doug Everitt, Vice Chair 524-2745

Willard Miller, Supervisor 524-9777

Code Enforcement/Zoning Permits

Richard Wolfe 524-0390 (leave message)

Building Permits

Light-Heigel and Associates – 524-7742

Sewage Enforcement Officer (septic systems)

James Sanders – 922-1218

Milton Regional Sewer Authority (public sewer)

742-3424

Township Secretary/Municipal Services Tax

Cherie Boyer – 524-9889

Township Treasurer

Clyde Boyer – 524-9889

Township Real Estate Tax Collector

William Phillips – 742-1490

911 Center Non-Emergency Number -- 523-1113

Milton State Police Barracks -- 524-2662

Email requests to: WCcomment@dejazzd.com

(This information will be updated and repeated in each newsletter)

Brush Pickup and Disposal

You may not be aware the Township provides several brush disposal options:

- 1) You may contact the Roadmaster to arrange for drop-off of brush and other burnable material at the Maintenance Building. This is strictly limited to brush and similar material and only by prior arrangement. No trash or non-burnable.
- 2) The township also provides limited pickup of brush subject to crew availability and the following:
 - A) Brush pickup is limited to piles of approximately one dump truck load
 - B) Exceptions may be made in case of storm damage
 - C) Leaves must be bagged
 - D) The intent of this is NOT to remove large amounts of brush from planned tree removal (material may still be dropped off at township site)
 - E) Pickup is at Township Discretion.
- 3) In limited instances, broken concrete and some scrap metal can also be dropped off for fill or other disposal. This MUST be cleared by the Township first.

Please contact the Roadmaster at 742-8102 if you desire these services and he will return your call as soon as possible.

Help Wanted -- Community

Disaster Assistance: We are attempting to improve our township's readiness to respond to disasters. In case of major incidents, emergency responders will be too busy to handle all incidents. In this case, a group of Community Responders can help fellow neighbors. If you'd like to participate, please contact us and our EMA Coordinator will be in touch with you.

It's Yard Sale Season!

Many of you like to clean out your homes and bring in a little extra cash by having a yard or garage sale. However, we received complaints of some neighbors who had "continuous sales", which really were more like a commercial operation. Some people also were selling items they clearly bought for re-sale. Several years ago based on these concerns, we updated our Zoning Ordinance that sets some limits to address this issue and maintain the residential nature of neighborhoods. A brief summary includes:

- 1) Sales are limited to no more than 4 sales per year for no more than 3 days each
- 2) Sales are limited to excess items from normal household use and not items purchased for resale.

As you can see, these are very basic and do not place any burden on a person wanting to hold a typical yard sale. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Frequently Asked Questions:

This column will return in the next issue and cover: "It's MY property -- why are there so many rules."

We've also been asked to provide some information on the size and population of the township and some history and name origin. We will be working on this for a future edition. If you have any information related to this you'd like to provide, please contact us via one of the methods listed in this newsletter.

...That Burning Question:

As expected, we received many comments on burning. Several people thought some reasonable controls were in order. Others thought burning should be completely banned, while there were those who clearly stated there should be absolutely no regulation of burning.

We will continue to study this situation and announcements will be made in this newsletter BEFORE any action is taken. Thanks for your input!

Montandon Community Days -- May 27th Through May 30th

Thursday -- 7:00 p.m. "Montandon Newlywed Game" -- Come watch eight area couples who have been married -- 10, 20, even maybe 40+ years vie for the grand prize. Hosted by James Ulrich and held at the Montandon United Methodist Church on Main Street.

Friday -- 6:00-9:00 p.m. Enjoy the Band "Top Shelf" -- Bring your lawn chair and appetite to the tent outside the Township Building to enjoy 100% Danceable Live Music from the 50's to 80's. Various food items will be available for purchase. A dime pitch and cake wheel will also be available. New this year -- Ice cream will be available for sale.

Saturday -- 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Crafts, Fun, Food & Entertainment -- Enjoy an Old Fashion Memorial Day Weekend

- ◆ Cake Wheel, Pick-a-Pop, Face Painting, Craft Booths, Free Hayrides
- ◆ Railroad Switch Tower Crock Sale and Chinese Auction with over 100 items
- ◆ Many Food Vendors and much more

Free Entertainment Includes:

- ◆ 10:30, 12:30, and 2:30 -- Re-Creation -- "Love" -- Re-Creation features some of the best young entertainers in America (many of them local) who transform the stage into a marvelous showplace of unforgettable entertainment. This year's theme includes "Family Love", "In the Mood", "The Girls of our Dreams", "Addicted to 80's Love", "Lovin' the King", "The Story of Love", and "Love of Country"
- ◆ 10:30 and 12:00 -- Kingdom Kids Puppet Ministry -- Their mission is to present moral, ethical and social issues to kids of all ages in PA, NJ and MD tri-state area.
- ◆ 1:30 Andy Reich -- "Shine Through Me" -- Andy is a Montandon native who has toured with Re-Creation for the last 4 years and is debuting his first solo CD entitled "Shine Through Me".

Sodom School Tours -- 9 until 4 -- Stop and check out this local historic treasure along Rt 45, just east of Montandon.

Sunday

7:30-9:30 a.m. Breakfast Sandwiches will be Sold

10:00 a.m. Community Church Service "under the tent", featuring Re-Creation's "Love"

1:00 -- Memorial Parade along Main Street, followed by Cemetery Services
Conducted by American Legion Post 841

Unless otherwise noted, events will take place in the tent behind the Post Office next to the Township Building and along Railroad and Center Streets

Please come out and support your community with your neighbors and friends at
this popular event!

Many thanks to the Community Days Committee and Parade Committee for organizing this event and providing this information

Question/Comment? Submit via email @ WCcomment@dejazzd.com or by mail at PO Box 252 Montandon

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Reduce Clutter? Numerous residents have requested their newsletter be sent electronically. BUT, we are hoping more of you will do that, to reduce costs and speed delivery. Many of you may have thought of this, but never gotten around to do it. Please take a few minutes to contact us if you have email and would like to take advantage of this at: WCcomment@dejazzd.com and provide the following information:

Your Name: _____ Your Email: _____

Otherwise we'll continue to mail your newsletter. Also, if you know of anyone not receiving this newsletter, please send us the info via email, mail or telephone and we will add them to the list.

Survey Question of the Month:

We received many favorable comments on the newsletter last month, and we thank you for that. Please continue to send us any comments. This month we'll take a completely different twist.

We ask **"What service(s) would you like to see the township provide if it was feasible?"** We'll try to address commonly suggested items with future action or an explanation as to why it might not be feasible. It's also possible this service may already be available, but you are not aware of it. Of course some items are just not feasible without significant tax increases, so additional and much broader support would be solicited before we'd even be able to consider them.

Please submit your reply via email to WCcomment@dejazzd.com or mail or drop off to the Township.