



EAST LAMPETER TOWNSHIP

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Police Department News

On March 18, 2019, two new officers were sworn in and will be joining our patrol division. Officer Tyler Auerbeck comes to us from Harrisburg City Police Department. Officer Blake Wahlberg is a recent graduate of the Municipal Police Academy at Harrisburg Area Community College



Officer Tyler Auerbeck



Officer Blake Wahlberg



Officer Ryan Wiegand

Officer of the Year

Officer Ryan Wiegand was recognized as 2018 Officer of the Year. Officer Wiegand was selected by his peers to receive this award for outstanding service. In the less than two years that Officer Wiegand has been employed, he has made over 150 arrests. Of those, 35 arrests were for DUI and over 20 were drug related offenses



Officer Michael Redden

Lifesaving Award

Police Chief Stephen Zerbe presented Officer Michael Redden with a Lifesaving award for his actions on Monday, January 7, 2019. An oncoming vehicle slid on ice and struck Officer Redden's cruiser in a head-on collision. Officer Redden realized that the other vehicle was on fire and that the occupant was unconscious. Despite his own injuries, he forced open his cruiser door and removed the other driver from his vehicle to safety.



Officer Douglas Jaquith

25 Years of Service

On January 17, 2019, Officer Douglas Jaquith reached his 25th year of employment milestone with the department. Chief Stephen Zerbe presented him with a 25th Anniversary commemorative box as well as a 25-year pin.

Garage/Yard Sales

Yard and garage sales are permitted in any zoning district on residential properties within the Township, but there are some rules:

- Only 2 garage sales are permitted per calendar year.
- No garage/yard sale shall be conducted for a period longer than 3 consecutive days.
- Garage/yard sales may offer personal possessions for sale; no importing or stocking of inventory is permitted. No commercial merchandise.
- Only one 6 sq. ft. sign is permitted to advertise the garage/yard sale. The sign must be located on the property where the sale is taking place and must be removed within six (6) hours of the end of the sale.
- No garage/yard sale is permitted to be conducted within the street right-of-way. Should any parking impede the flow of traffic on the roadway, police action may be taken.



Volunteers Needed for Statewide Cleanup, Beautification Effort

The Pennsylvania Departments of Transportation (PennDOT) and Environmental Protection (DEP) are seeking volunteers for this year's Great American Cleanup of Pennsylvania that begins March 1 and runs through May 31.

The cleanup is sponsored each year by PennDOT, DEP, Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful and other partners. Groups participating in PennDOT's Adopt-A-Highway (AAH) program, which involves volunteers cleaning roadsides year round, are also encouraged to participate in the cleanup.

Interested individuals can find a listing of cleanup events, resources for organizing a cleanup, and other information about the effort online at www.gacofpa.org. Groups interested in adopting a section of highway are encouraged to contact their local PennDOT County Maintenance office and ask for the AAH coordinator, or visit www.penndot.gov under "About us." Groups interested in adopting a locally maintained road, contact Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, www.keeppabeautiful.org under "Keep It."

During last year's Great American Cleanup, 7.2 million pounds of litter was collected from Pennsylvania's roads, trails and shorelines by more than 129,000 volunteers. PennDOT's AAH program collected litter on 8,915 miles of Roads, Shorelines & Trails.

Gloves, trash bags and safety vests are provided by PennDOT, DEP, and Keep America Beautiful. In addition, during "Pick it Up PA Days" from April 13 to May 6, registered events have access to reduced or free disposal at participating landfills sponsored by PA DEP and the Pennsylvania Waste Industries Association.

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All regular meetings begin at 7:30 pm

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All regular meetings begin at 4 pm

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East Lampeter Township is Forming our First Relay for Life Team to Help Fight Cancer in Our Community!

Throughout the years our township lost several employees to cancer: Jim Sargent (Sewer Dept), Corporal Jan Fassnacht (Police Department), Bruce Herner (Roads Dept), and Elvin "Bubba" Reiff (Public Works).

Since then countless other employees, friends, family and community members have been affected by cancer. Please join our team and come walk with us in June 2019!

Sign up at: www.relayforlife.org/palancaster and look for the East Lampeter Township Team!

Relay for Life of Lancaster County

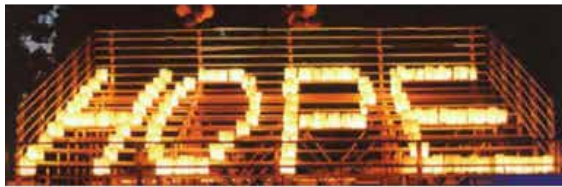
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East Lampeter Township bills in arrears, so your sewer bill service period covers the previous 3 months

Your due date is always the last day of the billing month (1/30, 4/30, 7/31, 10/31). **Postmark dates are accepted.**

Street lights are billed yearly in february. Your payment is due February 28th. **Postmark dates are accepted.**

If you don't receive your postcard or have lost it—call the township office to confirm your balance

If you do not remit a barcode with your payment, please write your account ID(s) or the property address on the "memo" line.

Payments are never accepted over the phone. *E-payments (check & card) are accepted on the township website: www.eastlampetertownship.org. *Fee applies

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Help Burst those Flood Insurance Myths

An important component of promoting flood insurance is dispelling the myths that persist about it. Below are a few of the most salient misunderstandings about flood insurance and some straightforward explanations of what is really true. Your community may find it helpful to use the linked materials to address mistaken beliefs among your residents. Also, there are several “myths” articles in the linked materials that could be reprinted to highlight some of the ideas below.

MYTH – My homeowner’s insurance covers flooding.

This may be the most prevalent misinformation of all. In fact, almost no homeowner’s insurance policies cover flood damage. That is why the federal government created the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Flood insurance is sold as a separate policy, so even if a person’s regular agent doesn’t handle flood insurance, it can be obtained from another agent who serves that area. To find one, people can contact the NFIP call center at **800-427-4661** or **www.FloodSmart.gov**. Communities can distribute FEMA’s palm card, “Your Homeowners Insurance Does Not Cover Flooding.” One flood survivor who had that separate policy—and was glad he did—tells about it in a one-minute video from FEMA.

MYTH – I don’t need flood insurance, because I’m not in a high-risk zone.

The reality is that it can flood almost anywhere, and it doesn’t take much water to cause expensive damage. In fact, about 1/3 of all flood disaster assistance and 1/3 of all flood insurance claims payments go to people who have been flooded even though they were outside of the mapped highrisk zone (Special Flood Hazard Area). With a changing climate, scientists say that extreme weather events—like the tremendous rain that accompanied hurricanes last summer and caused localized flooding—will be more likely in the future. So living in a location that so far has been thought to be at low risk does not mean that is safe now. *Why Do I Need Flood Insurance?* helps people understand the need for flood coverage. *Know Your Risk* focuses on the potential for flooding in low-lying coastal areas. A one-minute video from FEMA tells the story of a family who were relieved that they had bought flood insurance even though they had already been through hurricanes without sustaining damage.

MYTH – I can’t get flood insurance, because I’m not in a high-risk zone.

Virtually anyone who lives in or owns property in an NFIP-participating community can buy flood insurance for a residential building, business, condo, or apartment, and the contents can be insured as well (or instead). Flood

insurance through the NFIP has never been restricted to people located in the high-risk zone (Special Flood Hazard Area). In fact, for people outside the high-risk zone, flood insurance is an even better deal, because the premiums are lower. An overview of the availability, coverage, and costs of flood insurance—in clear language and with sources of more information—can be found on the FloodSmart website. Communities can also use the brochure about the preferred risk policy for low-hazard areas.

MYTH – Even if my house did flood, it wouldn’t be by much.

There may not be very much water, but that doesn’t mean there won’t be much damage. Only one inch of water in an average home can cause more than \$25,000 in damage. A handy visual representation of this is the Cost of Flooding tool developed by FEMA. It is a simple interactive device to help people see how the depth of flooding translates to damage costs. This link is a good addition to a community’s flood awareness website.

MYTH – I don’t need flood insurance because FEMA gives disaster assistance.

The truth is that FEMA can only provide disaster assistance when the president issues a disaster declaration—this happens for less than half of all floods. Even if there is a disaster declaration, FEMA can only provide small grants, not enough to cover all losses and certainly not enough to rebuild. **For example, in Hurricane Harvey the average individual grant FEMA distributed was only \$7,000.** Most other federal disaster assistance comes in the form of loans, which much be repaid. By contrast, in Hurricane Harvey, the average NFIP claim payment was over \$100,000—that’s a payment from the insurance policy and of course never has to be repaid. And, a flood insurance policy pays for any covered damage, even if it results from a small (not disastrous) flood. Use the two-page handout, “The Benefits of Flood Insurance vs. Disaster Assistance,” to compare the two.

Plan, Adjust, Recover—Flood Response Preparations

While parts of the country are bracing for frigid temperatures and icy conditions, the next flood might not be at the top of the “worry” list.

Before

Proactive communities send messages to the public well in advance of the next flood, so citizens don’t become complacent. People tend to think outreach should ramp up before hurricane season and, although that may be true on the coast, most communities are vulnerable year-round, and everyone needs to be ready for the next flood. Messages



before a flood can range from flood safety ('Turn Around Don't Drown') to property protection techniques to how to gather information for insurance purposes. People who've never been flooded before usually believe they never will, and reminding them of past local disasters drives home the point that you never know when it could happen.

During

The National Weather Service keeps residents apprised of current conditions and forecasts while local television stations compete to produce the best coverage and latest information. Municipalities can take this a step further and send messages that are community-specific, for example, explaining why a particular neighborhood should expect more accumulation of water because of insufficient drainage, narrow channels, and/or "choke points." Social media like Facebook and Twitter can be invaluable for outreach during the flood. Even when the power is out, people will get in their cars to recharge their phone batteries just so they can stay connected.

After

Recovery after the storm can be a little easier if both the citizens and the community were prepared beforehand. Still, people can be overwhelmed by where to start. Communities can turn their websites into a one-stop shop for disaster information—from the locations where utility repair crews are working on a given day, to places where ice is being distributed, to tips on handling mold and mildew. Recovery won't be the same for everyone, so it'll be important to get the right messages to the right people. When it's safe, city inspectors and others will make damage assessments. This is an opportune time to also place door hangers at flooded properties to advise owners of the next steps in their recovery process—everything from what their insurance adjuster will need to how to get a permit for repairs. But recovery is more than permits and repairs. It goes hand in hand with a community's mitigation efforts to reduce the impacts of the next flood. And that leads back to preparation. A community that engages in outreach through all three stages of a flood will fare better in the long run. A prepared community is a resilient community and can come back stronger after a flood.



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Spotted Lanternfly *Lycorma delicatula* (WHITE) (Hemiptera: Fulgoridae)

The Spotted Lanternfly, *Lycorma delicatula* (White), an invasive planthopper, has been discovered in Berks County. It's native to China, India, Vietnam, and introduced to Korea where it has become a major pest. This insect attacks many hosts including grapes, apples, stone fruits, and tree of heaven and has the potential to greatly impact the grape, fruit tree, and logging industries. Early detection is vital for the protection of Pennsylvania businesses and agriculture.

Identification: The Spotted Lanternfly adult is approximately 1" long and 1/2" wide at rest. The forewing is grey with black spots and the wings tips are reticulated black blocks outlined in grey (A, B, C). The hind wings have contrasting patches of red and black with a white band (A). The legs and head are black; the abdomen is yellow with broad black bands. Immature stages are black with white spots, and develop red patches as they grow (D,E).

Hosts: In the fall, adults congregate on tree of heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*) (F), willows (*Salix* sp.), and other trees, in groups of up to 20. Egg masses will be laid on medium to large trees, on trunk, branches, and limb bases. After hatching in the spring, nymphs will move off the tree and search out new hosts, including several kinds of agricultural crops. In Korea it has been reported to attack 65 different species, 25+ of which are known to grow in Pennsylvania.

Signs and Symptoms: Trees, such as tree of heaven and willow, will develop weeping wounds. These wounds will leave a greyish or black trail along the trunk (G). This sap will attract other insects to feed, notably wasps and ants. In late fall adults will lay egg masses on host trees and nearby smooth surfaces like stone, outdoor furniture, vehicles, and structures. Newly laid egg masses have a grey mud-like covering which can take on a dry cracked appearance over time (H). Old egg masses appear as rows of 30-50 brownish seed-like deposits in 4-7 columns on the trunk, roughly an inch long (I).

What to do if you: **See eggs:** Scrape the eggs off, double bag them, and throw them away. You can also place the eggs into alcohol or hand sanitizer to kill them. **Please report all destroyed egg masses on our website listed below.**

Collect a specimen: Specimens or egg masses can be turned in to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Entomology lab for verification.

Take a picture: A photograph of any life stage (including egg masses) can be submitted to Badbug@pa.gov.

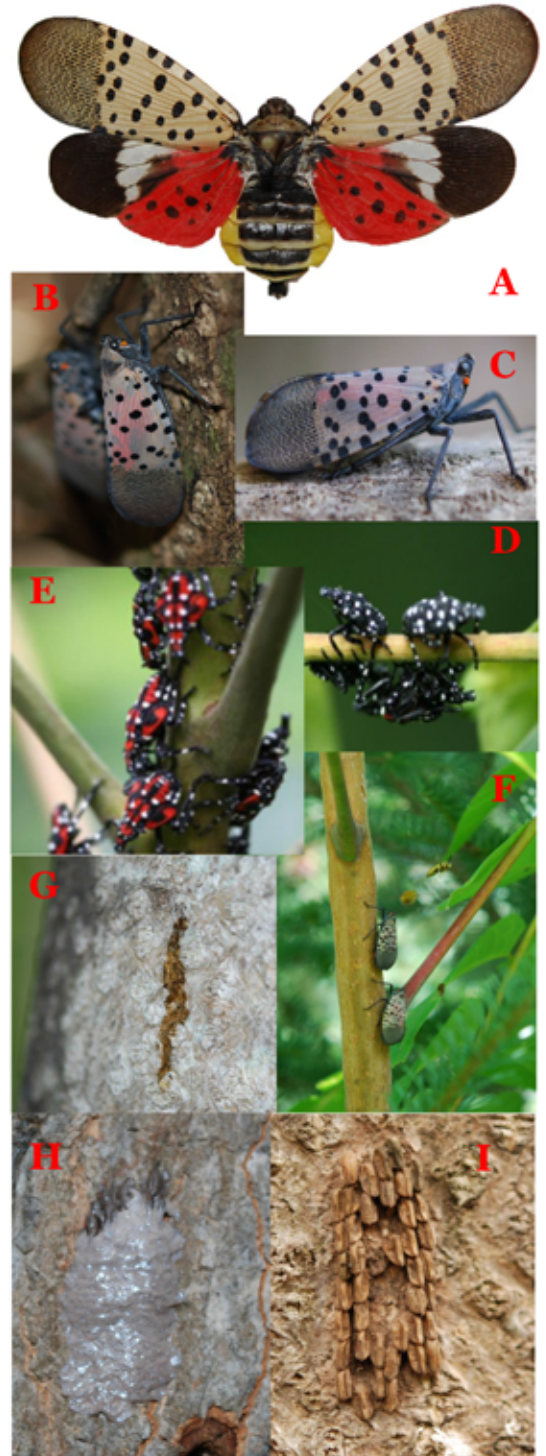
Report a site: If you can't take a specimen or photograph call the Automated Invasive Species Report Line [1-866-253-7189](tel:1-866-253-7189) and leave a message detailing your sighting and contact information.

For up to date information visit:

www.pda.state.pa.us/spottedlanternfly



By: Lawrence Barringer, Entomologist
Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture



(A) Spotted Lanternfly showing the fore and hind wings (B) Resting against bark (C) Lateral view (D) Early nymphs (E) Late nymphs (F) On young tree of heaven with wasps (G) Weeping sap trail on tree (H) Egg mass covered in waxy coating (I) Old hatched egg masses on a trunk.



Stormwater Safe Lawn Care

Pesticide & Fertilizer Application Tips

Spring is finally upon us and that means folks will be anxious to have their lawns and gardens looking green and weed free. We have outlined some helpful tips for preventing negative impacts from pesticides and fertilizers on the stormwater system and local waterways of East Lampeter Township.



Locate Sensitive Areas

These areas would be places in your yard where there is a higher chance that runoff would come in contact with pesticides or fertilizers and carry them to non-intended sites, like inlets or streams. Try and create a buffer between sensitive areas with vegetated strips or rain gardens.

When applying pesticides or fertilizers avoid:

- Applications in areas with faster moving runoff from driveways or steep sloping lawns
- Areas at least 20 feet away from inlets or storm infrastructure
- Sensitive areas such as streams, ponds, wells, areas prone to sinkholes, and sandy soil

Timing & Type of Application

Fertilizer/pesticide application should not be applied when rainfall is anticipated within 24 hours of application, in windy conditions over 10 mph, and in seasons and conditions not recommended by the manufacturer

It is best to choose fertilizers and pesticides that are less likely to leach, drift, or runoff. Try to avoid pesticides with high water solubility and low absorption. These tend to runoff more easily and don't have a high ability to bind to soil or plant surfaces.

East Lampeter Stormwater Study

As noted in the winter newsletter, the Township enlisted the help of engineering consultant, HRG to lead the study and development of a stormwater fee.

HRG, with the assistance of Township Staff, has assembled a Stormwater Stakeholder Advisory Committee comprised of approximately 15 business owners, residents, non-profit affiliates, and Ag community members. Once a month, the committee gathers to learn more about the MS4 system, the basis for a fee, and the equitability of the fee. The Advisory Committee helps to steer the process through questions and discussion. Ultimately this will aid the Township and the Board of Supervisors to a decision about adopting the fee. The groups meetings and discussion will culminate in July of 2019.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Stormwater Coordinator, Charity Quinn at 717-393-1567 or cquinn@eastlampetertownship.org.



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Requirements for Portable Swimming Pools

Thinking about purchasing a portable type pool for your backyard? Before installing, be mindful of the zoning, building, and stormwater requirements regarding these structures.

A pool with more than 24 inches water depth will require a zoning and building permit and a fence with a minimum height of 48 inches. If the sides of the pool are greater than 48 inches, a fence is not required, but ladders shall be removed or folded up when the pool is not in use. If the pool has a filter system, be certain a GFI protected outlet is being utilized to reduce the possibility of electrocution.

While wading pools with a water level less than 24 inches deep are allowed without any permits or fencing, be reminded to keep a close eye on bathers as all pools present potential hazards.



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