

Reasons to Hug a Tree

Besides their natural beauty and the shade that they provide, trees have many more benefits.

Trees absorb carbon from the atmosphere. Trees produce oxygen. Trees reduce soil erosion and water pollution. Trees reduce noise pollution, provide privacy, and block unsightly views. Trees soften the appearance of your home and add value to your property. Trees shield your home from the wind and can reduce your heating bill in the winter and lower your cooling costs in the summer. Trees can provide fruits and nuts. Trees provide shelter for animals. Trees can be planted in memory of a loved one. Trees are fun to plant with your children. Care for them together and watch them grow.

The Township's TreeVitalize Grant Program provided trees to be planted this spring for approximately 40 residents. We'd like to thank The Hershey Company, PNC, Good's Tree Care, Inc., and Members 1st for their sponsorship of the program.

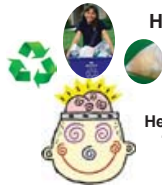
If you did not submit an application and want to plant your own tree, remember these helpful tips for caring for your tree.

Water is the most important thing that your tree needs, especially during the first year. Apply 10-15 gallons of water once a week from March through October and more during drier weather. Plant annual flowers, around your tree. When they wilt, it will remind you to water the tree.

Keep the area around the tree free of weeds and keep the soil around the tree from getting too compacted so that water can reach the tree's roots. Placing mulch around the tree controls weeds and prevents compaction of the soil.

Avoid wounds to the bark. It protects the trunk.

Remove straps and stakes around your tree within the first year so that they do not cut into the bark.



Heads Up for Talking Trash

Thursday, May 26
7 p.m.
Hershey Public Library
701 Cocoa Avenue

Get All Your Questions Answered

The Derry Environmental Action Committee (DEAC) in coordination with the Derry Township Board of Supervisors will hold a meeting on the collection of trash and recyclables in Derry Township. Local and regional solid waste handlers will present information on what is collected, how it is collected, and where it goes.

"Talking Trash" will provide residents with current information on the Recycling Center, the curbside collection program, single stream recycling, processing of materials, marketing recycled products, incentive based recycling programs, DEP recycling grants, how generating less trash can lower user fees, and a variety of goods produced from recycled materials.

Residents will have an opportunity to learn about greener behaviors that can affect the economy.

Residents are reminded to place their basket ball hoops behind the sidewalk or in the driveway to avoid damage from passing vehicles.



HERSHEY COMMUNITY ARCHIVES

Archivist Pamela Cassidy Whitnack

Hershey's Entertainers John B. Sollenberger 1897-1967

When Milton Hershey reorganized his businesses in

1927, he placed all his non-chocolate businesses in a new company, Hershey Estates. The new business would manage the town and run all the recreational and tourist-oriented attractions. In 1927, Hershey Park was popular, but the community's other attractions were still modest and somewhat limited. John Sollenberger, the park's general manager, would play a critical role in developing Hershey as a major destination for all types of entertainment.

John "JB" Sollenberger was born June 13, 1887, on a farm in Silver Springs Township, Cumberland County. At age 16, he enrolled in the Harrisburg School of Commerce, a 2-year course of study in business and stenography. His exceptional stenographic skills led to a job working for the school's owner in a traveling stenography demonstration that was offered in regional high schools. Sollenberger's skill, plus his good memory, enabled him to appear to take high speed dictation, often at rates approaching 250 words per minute. In many ways, the demonstrations were theatrical, giving him his first experience with theatrical production.

At age 17, he began working as a clerk for the Hershey Improvement Company in 1914. His stenography skills soon led to additional duties. In just two short months, he was transferred to the Hershey Trust Company.

Sollenberger's involvement with bringing entertainment to the Hershey area began years before he was promoted to Hershey Park. In 1918, Sollenberger partnered with George Gerth, another Hershey employee, to open motion picture theaters in Hummelstown and Palmyra. These theaters operated until 1928, when Sollenberger needed to focus more attention on his Hershey responsibilities. Hershey's own movie theater had opened in 1914.

It is probable that "JB" was involved with Hershey Park prior to his promotion to assistant general manager under Charles Ziegler. There are several stories about his booking famous performers prior to 1925. While those stories are not verifiable, they reflect Sollenberger's reputation and skill bringing the nation's top performers to Hershey. His skill in recognizing talent and his willingness to take risks helped make Hershey a major performance venue. Those skills were evident in the story behind crooner Rudy Vallee's first performance in the Hershey Ballroom.

Hershey Ballroom typically paid \$250-\$300 for bands who played Saturday nights. In 1929, Hershey had the chance to book Rudy Vallee, a national celebrity, for a Saturday night gig in the Ballroom. Vallee's fee was \$3,500 and park manager JB Sollenberger and his boss, Charles Ziegler, needed the permission of Milton Hershey to pay such an exorbitant fee. Milton Hershey was reluctant and initially turned them down. Ziegler and Sollenberger next asked permission to rent the Ballroom and book Vallee themselves. In response, Milton Hershey suggested that he could more easily afford the financial risk and agreed to booking Vallee. Rudy Vallee's appearance was a huge success and helped build Sollenberger's reputation.

Sollenberger's ability to spot trends in entertainment helped him build Hershey as a major destination. While his efforts were first focused on the Park, he soon assumed responsibility for all of Hershey's entertainment venues.

Sollenberger's interests were far reaching and included sports, music, theater and amusements. He is credited with bringing hockey to Hershey. In 1931, he had the Convention Hall converted into an ice palace and convinced two amateur ice hockey teams, Villanova College and the Penn Athletic Club, to come play an exhibition game. The sport's immediate popularity led to Hershey establishing its own team the following year. Sollenberger helped to establish the American Hockey League and served as general manager for Hershey's hockey team from 1932 through 1949.



John Sollenberger looks on as golf pro Ben Hogan signs contract. 1941

Hockey was Sollenberger's first love, but it wasn't his only interest. He also oversaw Hershey's development as a golfing destination. He served as general manager for the Hershey Country Club and also managed the construction of Hershey's three other courses: Parkview, Juvenile and The Hotel Hershey executive course. It was under his leadership that the Hershey Open golf tournament (1931-1941) was established.

At the same time, Sollenberger oversaw entertainment programming at the Hershey Theatre, Hershey Park venues, the Hershey Arena and the Stadium. He was responsible for bringing some of the biggest names in entertainment to Hershey, including Fred Waring, Victor Borge, Sonja Henie, Tallulah Bankhead, and Eleanor Holm. There really was no limit to his interests and knowledge of the varied facets of entertainment.

In sports, Sollenberger sought out successful athletes and brought them to Hershey as performers and employees. Golf professionals Henry Picard and Ben Hogan were hired by Sollenberger, bringing national attention and stature to Hershey's golf program. For Hershey's hockey club, Sollenberger signed former NHL Bruin player, Herb Mitchell, as the Bear's coach in 1934. He later convinced Frank Mathers to come as the Bears head coach in 1956. Mathers would lead the Bears to three Calder Cup victories between 1958 and 1969.

He booked three-time Olympic Figure Skating Champion Sonja Henie to perform at the Hershey Sports Arena inaugural hockey game. A few years later Sollenberger hired skating sensation Evelyn Chandler as the Arena's figure skating professional.

For his many contributions to sports, Sollenberger was recognized in a variety of ways. When Pennsylvania established its Sports Hall of Fame, Sollenberger was named its first president. His contributions to hockey led to naming the AHL award to the season's leading scorer the "John B. Sollenberger Trophy."

Because of Milton Hershey's interest in developing the town as a destination, JB Sollenberger had frequent contact with his boss. In a 1955 interview, Sollenberger reflected on Milton Hershey's vision and approach to developing the town as a destination:

"Milton Hershey tried to invest the money in the future of the community, and in a way that the whole community would benefit and enjoy. I hear him say many times he never went nuts on any one thing; but liked a little music and a little sport, etc.

He did not seem to be interested in getting a yacht and country house and houses - that would not generate happiness for the people in the community."

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Township Employee News



Derry Promotes Community Service Officer

On January 7, 2011, Chris Abruzzo, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, administered the Oath of Office to Andrew M. Condran. Andrew has worked for the Police Department as a Community Services Officer since 2009. Andrew is a graduate of Lower Dauphin High School. Soon after, he joined the United States Marine Corps and was honorably discharged in 2001. He went to work in the private sector and then became interested in law enforcement and joined Derry as a Community Officer. He is currently attending the Municipal Police Academy at the Shumaker Public Safety Center at Harrisburg Area Community College.

2011 Advisory Board Appointments

The Board of Supervisors made the following appointments at their January 3rd reorganization meeting.

- James Ingalzo - Vacancy Board
- Anne Reeves - Board of Library Directors, reappointed
- Edward Buchan - Design Review Board, reappointed
- Ned Wehler - Planning Commission, reappointed
- James Brandt - Police Pension Advisory Board, reappointed
- Dr. Richard Hammer - Zoning Hearing Board
- David Feidt - Tax Collection Association
- John Foley, Jr. - Industrial Commercial Development Authority

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21 W. Caracas Avenue 533-2953 www.hersheyfire.org

Value in Training

Training has always been an integral part of the Hershey Volunteer Fire Company. Weekly training sessions, or fire drills, are held every Monday evening throughout the year. These sessions normally last about three hours. Drills begin with a meeting of the fire crew members to critique recent fire and emergency calls. This is followed by an overview and explanation of the evening's training plans.

As part of this ongoing training, members of the Fire Company participated in two Pennsylvania State Fire School certified training courses last year. The two classes were Engine Company Operations and Fire Fighter Survival and were conducted by instructors from the Harrisburg Area Community College Shumaker Public Safety Center. Both were 16 hour courses and involved a combination of classroom and practical exercises.



The Fire Company was fortunate to be able to use a former Milton Hershey School student home and the old mall at Chocolate and Cocoa Avenues for the hands-on aspects of these courses. The vacant MHS home provided

crews with realistic survival training in which to learn to hang and drop from a second story window, escape a structure using a charged hoseline, and bail out of a window by using a ground ladder.

With the mall scheduled for demolition, the firefighters were able to break through walls, free themselves from wires, and survive a roof collapse. Near zero visibility was achieved through use of a fog machine. Firefighters wore their air packs and were faced with the added pressure of their air supply running out. All the members that participated in these evolutions agreed that it was great training. It helped prepare our firefighters to react quickly and safely in a real-life situation.

Fire Siren Usage

Recently, the Fire Company has received several inquiries about the use of the fire siren. Alerting volunteer firefighters to fire and emergency calls has always been a major challenge to the fire services. When first organized, the Hershey Volunteer Fire Company depended on the whistle at the Chocolate Factory and then a bell on the original fire house. Sirens began to replace bells for municipal warning in the early part of the Twentieth Century, and in 1924 our first town fire siren was purchased. Civil Defense funds were acquired in 1954 to provide two new sirens for the community. Radio dispatching had started in 1952, but personnel only had home radio monitors. Eventually, tone alert pager technology provided volunteers with a new form of mobile alerting.

Dauphin County switched to a new communications system with a digital-style pager during 2010. Work on this system is on-going and is not yet totally reliable. We have maintained the siren as a back-up to the pager alerting system. Additionally, the siren should serve as a warning to nearby residents that there is an emergency response in progress, making them more alert to incoming personnel and outgoing apparatus. Currently, officers of the Fire Company are evaluating both the duration and time of day that the fire siren is in use. Residents may notice these changes over the coming months.



motel complex; and the construction of a new three-story hotel with associated parking and stormwater facilities.

The Preliminary/Final Land Development and Lot Consolidation Plan for 1601, 1603, 1609, 1611 East Chocolate Avenue, Plat #1198. The plan proposes to combine the 4 lots, demolish the existing structures, and construct a 6,700-square foot office building and associated parking.

The Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for The Goddard School, Plat #1202. The plan proposes the development of a 1.3-acre tract of land, located on Middletown Road, south of and adjacent to Turkey Hill, with a 8,400-square-foot building and associated parking.

The Conditional Use Request No. 2010-01 and 2010-02 as filed by the Hershey Trust Company, trustee for Milton Hershey School. The applicant requests that a conditional use be granted for Glenview, a former student home located at 10 Boathouse Road, to convert the building into 4 apartment-style units and Vian, former student home located at 1080 Fishburn Road, to convert the building into a 6 apartment-style units. Both would be used for Milton Hershey School employees in the short term and possibly for open market rentals in the event that the short-term use is no longer necessary.

Sollenberger Continued

Even after Sollenberger was promoted to president of Hershey Estates in 1949 he continued to directly manage Hershey's entertainment venues. Sollenberger simply added the president's responsibilities to his existing workload. A few years later he was made president of the Hershey Trust Company (1956) and then president of the Hershey Bank (1957), all positions he held until his retirement in 1962.

While Sollenberger's work responsibilities were significant, he followed Milton Hershey's lead in giving back to the community. He was a charter member of the Hershey Rotary Club, serving as its first president. He was active with the Boy Scouts, serving on the Keystone Council executive board. He was the co-founder of the Big 33 football game, matching the best football players of Ohio and Pennsylvania, a game that continues today. He played an important role serving on the planning committee for Holy Spirit Hospital and was active with the Republican Party, serving as a delegate to the 1964 Republican National Convention held in San Francisco.

Rain Barrel Workshop



Learn how to make it rain twice...

Artwork was created by members of the Hershey High School Environmental Club

Celebrate Earth Day!

A Rain Barrel Workshop Will Be Held Saturday, April 16th. Barrels Are Available for Only \$25!

Residents and businesses are invited to attend a Water Quality Workshop this spring. Attendees can purchase a quality-made barrel valued at \$100 for only \$25. Come and learn about water conservation and the benefits of using a rain barrel. Information will be provided on installation.

The event will be held at 2 pm at the Hershey Public Library, Room 1, 701 Cocoa Avenue.

Register early. Spaces are limited. Call Derry Township at 533-2057 to register.



The workshop is provided through a community partnership with the Derry Environmental Action Committee, Hershey High School Environmental Club, Country Meadows, PA American Water and Derry Township.

Curb and Sidewalk Replacement Program

The Township will again be offering residents the opportunity to participate in the annual Curb and Sidewalk Program. The goal of the program is for residents to receive a lower cost to replace their curbs and sidewalks than they could obtain on their own. This is accomplished by requesting proposals collectively for all interested residents from one contractor. The Township seeks proposals based on the replacement quantity for all residents who express a desire to participate in the program.

When proposals are received, the participating residents are notified of the cost and have the option of withdrawing from the program or having the work completed. Residents interested in learning more about the program, or participating, please call the Public Works Department at 533-2057, option 4, by April 15.



Yard Waste Collection

Spring is right around the corner and yard work will begin soon. York Waste Disposal, Inc. will collect yard waste the week following the last Saturday of the month, beginning in May until the first week of November.

Branches must be bundled and tied or placed in Kraft bags. Bags are available for purchase at the Recycling Center and the Public Works Facility for \$4.25 for a package of five.



Yard waste mixed with trash, will not be collected.

Composting is another option for yard waste. Composters are available at the Recycling Center for \$25 plus tax and compost is an excellent soil amendment for gardens and

Important Notice On Feral Cats Humane Society Announces New Policy

The Humane Society of Harrisburg Areas (HSHA) will no longer accept feral cats to be euthanized if they are not adopted. The Society will operate a Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program that requires municipalities to enter into a contract with HSHA. The Township will participate in the program and will provide free TNR vouchers to residents. An appointment is required for TNR services.



When a feral cat is captured, residents must obtain a voucher from the police department and drop the cat off at the Society where it will be neutered or spayed, vaccinated, and returned to the place it was found. Further details on the program have not yet been determined. The Humane Society can be reached at 717-564-3320.

Adult Enrichment Classes Offered at the Library

Participants must be 18 years old or older. Class sizes are limited. Call Melissa Bittinger at 533-6555, ext. 3717, or e-mail MelissaBittinger@derrytownship.org to register.

Dialogue Writing Basics - Sundays, January 30 - February 20, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. \$40

English as a Second Language - Wednesdays and Saturdays, February 16 - March 26, Wednesdays from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., \$72

Goodbye, Columbus - Wednesdays, March 2, 9, and 16, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., \$20

Writing Infusion: An Art-full Workshop - Mondays, March 14, 21, and 28, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., \$25

American Sign Language I, Mondays, April 4 - May 2, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., \$30

Chris Abruzzo The Chairman's Report



Where Would We Be?

Very seldom does a person reach the top without the help of other intelligent, supportive, and dedicated individuals. When a person achieves his or her goals, these are the people that they thank. How many times have you heard someone say, "I don't know where I'd be without _____."

We can accomplish greater things together than we can alone. The Board of Supervisors serves as the cog in the wheel that moves Derry Township forward; however, it would be stationary without the individuals that serve as the spokes. Derry Township depends on the assistance of 12 advisory boards, the Friends of the Hershey Public Library, Friends of Parks and Recreation, the Library Endowment Board, and many special interest groups. Through the years, members of these teams have helped to develop policies, complete projects, institute change, and bring about improvements in our community.

Last year, the Board of Library Directors worked on plans for the redesign of the Library. The Parks and Recreation Board began discussions on the update of the Recreation, Park,

and Open Space Master Plan. The Municipal Authority completed a project at its Clearwater Road Wastewater Treatment Plant to utilize anaerobic digester biogas to fuel an internal combustion engine and generate approximately 1.53 million kWh of electric power annually. Additionally, the waste heat from the engine and its exhaust are captured to provide hot water to heat most of the buildings at the plant, to name a few board projects.

The Friends of Parks and Recreation created the Members Grove Program for the planting of new trees and were sponsors of the returned Memorial Day Parade, and the Friends of the Hershey Public Library worked year-round to fund the library's programs.

In addition to our Board appointed groups, a committee formed that was successful in getting the state to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph on Cocoa Avenue. Another group reviewed and revised the Township's stormwater ordinance, and most recently, two additional committees have formed to consider updates to the Township's Comprehensive Plan and to explore options for sidewalk repair requirements in relation to street trees.

All of these hours of service are an amazing contribution to the betterment of the lives of those who reside in Derry Township.

We would like to thank all of these individuals who have given so graciously of their time, have contributed their knowledge and expertise, and have worked together to sincerely do what is in the best interest of everyone. They are making a difference and we are grateful for everything that they do.

THANK YOU

The Township would like to thank **Dennis Maloskey** for serving on the Zoning Hearing Board and **James Albrite** for serving on the Tax Collection Association.



2011 Budget Overview

The General Fund Budget decreased \$37,973, totaling \$14,901,476.

Revenue is expected to increase \$50,700 to \$15,002,951.

The Township's Cash Reserve is estimated to be \$1,665,261.

The Revenue for the Capital Budget is \$2,996,550.

Capital Project Expenditures are \$3,200,405 and include \$1,200,000 for two fire trucks. The Township has applied for funding. Based on the funding received, the Township may have to borrow for the purchase.

\$133,500 was budgeted in the Capital budget for various departmental needs such as replacement of police body armor, building improvements for the fire department, a photocopy machine for community development, replacement of the pool pump and vacuum for the recreation center and equipment/furniture for the library.

\$1,866,905 of the capital budget is the 2011 Debt Service Payment.

No increase in taxes is needed to support the 2011 budget.

The budget can be viewed in its entirety on the Township's website, www.derrytownship.org, under administration.

Spring Shred It Event

May 14th will be the next Township Shred It Event from 8 - 11 a.m. The event will be held at the Public Works Facility, 650 Clearwater Rd.

Collection will be limited to 4 bags or 4 boxes. The paper that is shredded will be recycled and will save trees from destruction.

FREE Senior Health Fair

April 29th, 9 am - noon

Representative John Payne invites seniors to the sixth annual Senior Health Fair. The fair will be held at the Hummelstown Chemical Fire Company, 249 East Main Street, Hummelstown. Valuable information will be available on services and programs available for older Pennsylvanians. Health care experts, representatives from various state agencies, and other exhibitors will be on hand to answer questions and discuss issues of importance to seniors. Friends, family members and caregivers of seniors residing in the 106th district are welcome to attend.

Please contact Representative Payne's District Office at 534-1323, for more information.



Hershey Public Library

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Fax: (717) 534-1666
www.hersheylibrary.org



Barbara Ellis, Director

Fall/Winter Hours
(eff. after Labor Day)
Monday through Thursday
9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Friday
9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday
9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Adult Programs

All of the following programs are sponsored by *Friends* of Hershey Public Library. They are held in the library and are free and open to the public, unless otherwise noted. Pre-registration is required for all programs. Registration begins one month prior to the program. Seating is limited. To register, call the library's circulation desk at 533-6555, or register online at www.hersheylibrary.org

Complete Idiot's Guide to Backpacking and Hiking

Sunday, February 20, 2:00 p.m.

Author and journalist Jason Stevenson will share some of the basics included in his new book *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Backpacking and Hiking*. He will discuss how he wrote the book and will share how the book's many lessons originated from his mishaps and misadventures on the trail. Stevenson will share five lessons he learned the hard way and will demonstrate some of the necessary skills he learned. Stevenson will take questions from the audience and his book will be available for sale and signing.

Fishing: Its Basic Allure, Its Mysteries, and its Realities

Monday, March 7, 6:30 p.m.

Join us for an overview of fly fishing, including looking at some of its literature, the basic allure that draws so many women and men to the sport, the mysteries of the sport, and some of the mechanics that allow fly fishers to convince otherwise sane stream-wise trout to take an artificial fly as if it were a real live bug. Fly fisherman Merris Harvey will present this witty and informative power point presentation and talk. Harvey has chased wild trout with artificial flies for forty years. He taught the fly tying class at Millersville University for several seasons and admits that he suffers from a fly fishing obsession that resists successful treatment.

New and Underused Perennials

Sunday, March 27, 2:00 p.m.

Each year hundreds of new plants are released to the gardening public. Some are the stars of the show, others are the chorus line, and some should never have been released. Stephanie Cohen, "The Perennial Diva," and author of *The Perennial Gardener's Design Primer* dishes the dirt on all these new and underused entries. Join us for a unique presentation that will teach and entertain you. Cohen also teaches horticulture at Temple University and is an award-winning speaker, writer, designer and teacher. The program is co-sponsored by Friends of Hershey Public Library and the Hershey Horticulture Society, in memory of Helen Linhart.

13th Annual National Library Week: Author Elizabeth Strout

Sunday, April 10, 2:00 p.m.

Strout's talk is entitled "Who Becomes a Fiction Writer and Why It Matters." Pulitzer Prize winning Strout is the author of *Amy and Isabelle*, which won the LA Times Award for first fiction and was short listed for the Orange Prize and the PEN/Faulkner award. Her second novel *Abide With Me* and her most recent book, *Olive Kitteridge*, which won the 2009 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, was nominated for a National Book Critics Circle Award and was a *New York Times* bestseller. Her books will be for sale before and after the program and a book-signing will be held after the talk.

Friends Children's Programs

Please call Children's Services at 533-6555, extension 3708, for more info.

Readers' Theatre

Sunday, March 20

Make meaningful connections with literature! Children will actively collaborate in transforming a beloved story into a play. Be Charlotte, Little Red, Jack or one of the Three Pigs for a day! Through dramatic exploration, children gain a deeper understanding of the text, story structure and elements (setting, character, plot, theme, and climax) and strengthen their oral language skills and expression.

2:00 to 2:40: Kindergarten through 2nd grade
3:00 to 3:40: 3rd through 5th grade
Max. 20 for each session.

Registration for this limited audience program will begin on Monday, March 7th. Register online at www.hersheylibrary.org, or call the children's desk at 533-6555, ext. 3708.

Landisdale Farms

Sunday, April 2, 2 p.m.

Hay! This is one AMAZEING program! Landisdale Farm, a family-owned and operated certified organic farm located in Lebanon County, focuses on healthy soils, healthy plants, and healthy food! Dan Landis, Farm Manager, will introduce you to the life of an organic farmer. Take home your very own bean seed and watch it grow!

Alice Through the Looking Glass

Sunday, May 8, 2 p.m.

Renaissance Artist Puppet Company brings Lewis Carroll's fantastical words and world to life. In this performance, using table top rod puppets and mask work, Alice must come to terms with her own fears as she travels through Looking Glass Land. Follow the White Rabbit to the Library!

NEW!!! Register online at www.hersheylibrary.org, for all children's programs!

Toddler time and more.....

Please note that pre-registration is necessary for these sessions. Please call Children's Services at 533-6555, extension 3708, for more information.

Toddler time is a series of 20-30-minute interactive programs for children (24 to 36 months) and their caregivers. One child and one adult register together for songs, stories, rhymes, and a joyful introduction to the library.

Wednesday mornings at 10:00 and 11:00 March 23 - April 27
Resident registration begins March 7; open registration begins March 14.

Wonderful Ones is a four-week series of 20-minute interactive programs for walking children (12 to 24 months) and their caregivers. Register together for songs, simple stories, nursery rhymes, and action plays.

Tuesday mornings at 9:45 and 10:45 May 3 - May 24
Resident registration begins April 18; open registration begins April 25.

Storytime is a six-week series of 30-minute programs designed for children 3 to 5. Storytime provides a structured, literature-based opportunity for children to gain independence. Parents and caregivers are strongly encouraged to use Storytime to fill their own library needs.

Storytime for 3's and 4's
Monday mornings at 10:00 March 21 - April 25
Wednesday afternoons at 1:30 March 23 - April 27

Storytime for 4's and 5's
Monday afternoons at 1:30 March 21 - April 25
Tuesday mornings at 10:00 March 22 - April 26

Resident registration begins March 7; open registration begins March 14.

Yoga Storytimes Our yoga instructor tells stories while the children assume different poses or asanas that allow them to interact with the story. Yoga mats are strongly suggested.

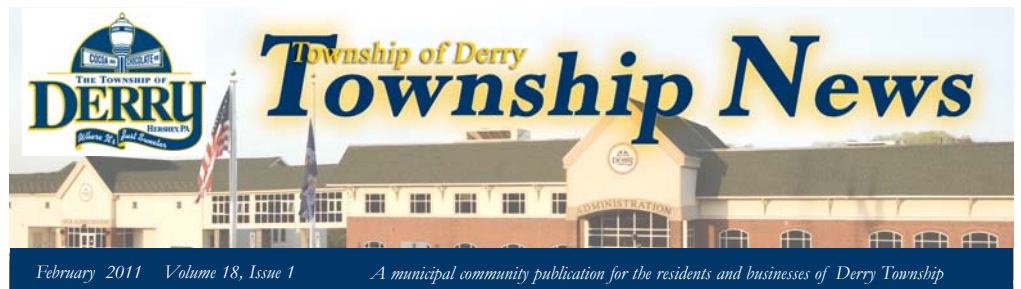
Saturday mornings at 10:30 May 7 - May 28
Resident registration begins April 18; open registration begins April 25.

Volunteer to be a Book Buddy! We are looking for volunteer readers to read to young children during the summer Book Buddies program. Must be a good reader and have completed 4th grade. The program is held on Monday and Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. from June 20-July 28. If interested, contact Children's Services at 533-6555, ext. 3708, beginning May 1st.



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RECYCLING CENTER HOURS
(Effective March 14th through October 10th)

Mon. 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Wed. 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Sat. 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The Center will be closed on Monday, February 21st, and Friday, April 22nd.

RECYCLING HOTLINE 533-8665

Call for questions regarding waste disposal and recycling. Items may only be dropped at the center or picked up during operating hours.

Residents may be required to show proof of residency at the Recycling Center.

Holiday Trash Collection If the holiday is on your regular collection day, your trash and recyclables will be collected the following day. All other collections that week will be on the regular schedule. If the holiday is on Friday, the trash will be collected on Saturday.

Meeting Your Municipal Needs

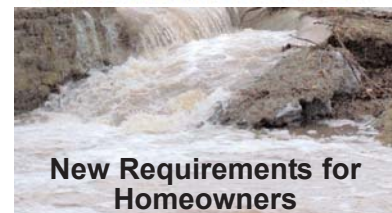
James Negley, Township Manager	533-2057, opt. 5
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William Smith, Chief of Police	534-2202
Thomas Clark, Director of Public Works	533-2057, opt. 4
Matthew Mandia, Director of Parks & Recreation	533-7138
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Board Battles Stormwater



New Requirements for Homeowners

In December, the Board of Supervisors adopted a revised stormwater ordinance that establishes regulations for stormwater management and best management practices to be compliant with the Dauphin County Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan, which the County adopted in April. A committee which included, Supervisor Kelly Fedeli, Assistant Director of Community Development Chuck Emerick, developer Jon Sheppard, engineer Steve Todd, and member of the Environmental Action Committee Matt Weir, revised the Township's existing ordinance. The ordinance requires that stormwater management facilities are designed and installed when property owners add impervious coverage. Projects that add more than 5% of the lot's area in impervious coverage, that exceeds 1,000 square feet, will be required to provide volume control that is to be documented on a plan and

Further Actions Taken to Protect Our Waters and Property

Over the last two years, an action plan was put in place to better control the stormwater runoff in Derry Township. The attempt began with an inspection of the Township's entire stormwater network to insure that there were no blockages in need of repair. Next, the Township worked with Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc., to design improvements to the stormwater system. All of the necessary preconstruction activities, including securing funding, have occurred and work is expected to begin before summer.

Collecting and transporting the water through pipes is only one aspect of stormwater management. When rain and snow can be absorbed into the ground, it is not a problem. Excessive runoff is the result of eliminating pervious surfaces. Streets, parking lots, and rooftops affect the discharge of runoff and eliminate the natural filtration of the water before it reaches streams and rivers. In addition to polluting our waterways, it can cause flooding, stream bank erosion, and destroy habitat and property.

in a report. Projects that add more than 5,000 square feet will be required to provide volume control and rate controls that are documented on the plan and report and an as-built survey plan of the improvements. Chuck Emerick said, "The preparation, review, and approval of the information takes time to do properly." He recommends starting the design work when the expansion is being planned.

The primary method to control stormwater discharges is the use of best management practices.

The following techniques can be used by property owners to reduce the impact of stormwater runoff.

Rain Barrels are connected to a downspout to capture and store runoff. The water can be used to irrigate lawns and gardens.

Rain Gardens are landscaped areas planted with wildflowers and other native vegetation to replace areas of lawn. Rain gardens allow about 30 percent more water to soak into the ground than a conventional lawn. The soil consists of sand, top soil and leaf compost for infiltration.

Permeable Surfaces promote absorption of rain and snowmelt. When installing a driveway or patio, consider concrete, stone, or paving blocks and grids.

For more information, please see Chapter 174 of the Derry Township Code, or call the Department of Community Development for assistance.



"Festival of Local Artists, Authors, and Artisans"

Sunday, April 17th
1pm - 4pm
Admission is FREE

This is the 6th year that the Society has honored local artists, authors, and artisans, by highlighting their works within its museum.

About 25 distinguished exhibitors will present their works for visitors to admire and to purchase. The variety of interesting authors is remarkable and the paintings and photography are beautiful and diverse. The unique crafts include stained-glass items, ornate and useful wood-carvings, functional and delicate pottery, hand-crafted jewelry, etc. There also will be music and a bake sale.

This year's featured author will be Colonel Cole Kingseed, USA (Ret.) author of *Beyond Band of Brothers: The War Memoirs of Major Dick Winters*.

He will be personally signing the book they wrote together and talking about his experiences with Major Winters. This book, among many other unique items, will be for sale in the Museum Gift Shop.



Other rooms to see within the Society's Museum include: The Early Derry Township Room, The Major Winter's Exhibit, the newly opened Sports Exhibit, the Discovery Room for children, and of course, the Milton Hershey Room.

There is something for every age and interest and it is a wonderful community day for all of Derry Township. Come and celebrate the arts at this community event.

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