

DELAWARE TOWNSHIP

Home of the One Room School Museum

Spring/Summer 2018 Newsletter

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MAY 20TH - SPRING BULK CLEAN-UP WEEK

Spring bulk clean-up for Township residents will be the week of May 20, 2018 on your regular collection day. Please place debris within five feet of the road the night before. Tri-County and the Township's website provide guidance regarding which items will/will not be accepted. If you purchase garbage bag tags this will be the only time permitted participate the in bulk collection without having to pay an additional fee. Any questions please call Tri-County at 724-662-2510 or the Township Office at 724-588-2040.

CAN I RECYCLE IT?

Yes to - clear, amber & green glass from beverage bottles and food jars (rinse bottles and jars, remove & discard lids, do not break glass – labels may be left on). **CANNOT recycle window glass, light bulbs, crystal, glass tumblers, ceramics, mirrors or ovenware.** Yes to - aluminum, steel, bi-metal food & beverage cans (rinse cans & push lid inside of can. Wipe out greasy containers). **CANNOT recycle aluminum siding, toys, lawn furniture, foil trays or paint cans.** Yes to - plastic soda bottles, milk & water jugs, liquid detergent, bleach & softener bottles – stamped #1 through #7 on bottom (discard lids & rinse container – lids are not recyclable be sure to remove & discard). **CANNOT recycle cooking oil, motor oil, window cleaner, antifreeze, pump top or spray bottles, polystyrene (cups or plates) or toys, pesticide or herbicide bottles.** Yes to - newspapers, magazines, catalogs & office/computer paper. **CANNOT recycle phonebooks or any type of wrapping paper.** Yes to – clean, corrugated & pressed cardboard cartons (moving & shipping boxes, such as TV, computer, large appliance, boxes, etc.) cereal boxes & shoe boxes (flattened or broken down into pieces no larger than 4'). **CANNOT recycle paperboard boxes including pizza boxes, milk cartons, juice boxes, take-out food containers, oily, soiled or contaminated cardboard.**

This information was gathered from www.tricountyind.com.

MERCER AREA LIBRARY

Township residents are reminded that the Township has a membership with the Mercer Library and as such the cost is covered for library cards and all the other great services offered. The library is located at 110 East Venango Street, Mercer, PA 16137. Contact phone number is 724-662-4233 - hours are Tuesday through Friday, from 9:30-7:00 and Saturday 9:00-4:00 - closed Sunday and Monday.

TOWNSHIP REFLECTION

By:

The Old Hickory Nut

(Typed from the original as submitted)

But for snow, looks like spring has sprung.

When the sun is out the grass is showing but come morning it is covered again. That is March and we're all used to it by now. Been the past few weeks we've been hearing the redwing blackbirds singing in the fencerow. That is a good sign that it's about over, they don't show up till they can get something to eat off the ground. Pretty tough under a foot of snow.

This winter wasn't all that bad but sure seemed long. Didn't start till after deer season but it sure seems to be hanging on. Just to let us know we aren't going to get off that east this time.

This reminds me of the way my grandad used to describe the seasons. He used to tell me that around here we only have three seasons now, July, August and winter. It seems to be coming true.

Soon be we'll be thinking of getting onions and lettuce planted and checking the asparagus. Then the fun is all over for the summer as grass cutting begins. Then back to plowing snow. Quite the cycle but it sure beats living somewhere you never have to live with the seasons.

When the weather breaks real good we'll be flooded with tourists for the annual crappie run down at the river. Used to be you knew everyone that was fishing, now it's hard to find anyone you might know.. I doubt that any of them can remember that before the crappies swam front and center there was Rock bass run. It was great, back in the mid sixties a kid could go to the river with a coffee can full of worms and come home with a bucket full of Rock Bass.. Seemed like almost everynight.. That was was the entertainment after a long day in school.. It was great as kids growing up along the river Of course with all those worms you caught a good share of carp. They were never wasted, as kids we practiced our version of trap and transfer. We'd keep them alive and transplant them into the deep pools in the old canal. Then in the heat of the heat of the summer

when the fish in the river weren't biting too good we could go after them. It would be a full summer. Full of fun and adventure but really full. It's a shame kids can't grow up like that anymore.

I was talking to the old timer that lives in that three star shack down along the river the other day He's all excited. He's hoping the township boys put in a bid to get the next summer Olympics for New Hamburg. He's got it all figured, they can do the running events down the old towpath, the footraces down creek road and the water sports in the river. He figures they could put a big sign at the crossroads guiding everyone down the towpath and he could put up a sausage sandwich stand downnear the slopewall. He figures to make a killing. I asked him about the mosquitos and deer flies? He allowed as how they were tourists and just visting it wouldn't be right to charge them extra for the bugs. But he's thinking, the poisen ivy might just be another deal. He said he'd throw the water snakes in on the deal for free. I let him go on planning I mean they have to have the Olympics somewhere, right.

Hats' off to the township boys. The roads came through the winter in pretty good shape and are are looking good now. Good job guys.

Better sign off. Have a safe summer keep your powder dry, your bow bend and your line wet.

- THE OLE HICKRORY NUT -





IMPORTANT 2018 ELECTION DATES

General Primary Election – May 15th

General Election – November 6th



REYNOLDS REBELS SOFTBALL

Girls' softball is just about in full swing!! There are approximately 55 girls playing this season 14 years old and younger; a total of 5 teams. You can catch a game Monday through Friday at 6:00 p.m. We wish all the girls a safe and successful season. Come cheer them on!!



The Township Supervisors and Park Board Members would like to give a huge *Thanks* to the Reynolds Rebels parents, players, coaches and Rebels Board Members for the monetary donations you have given to the park over the years and your continued efforts to ensure that the fields and grounds are maintained.

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Mercer County received a grant from the Pennsylvania DEP for education regarding Household Hazardous Waste (HHW). Part of the funding included distribution to each municipality of the enclosed Fact Sheet on how to properly dispose of various forms of HHW. For more fact sheets please visit the Township Office!

PROPERTY/RENT TAX REBATE

The program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians who are 65 years or older, widows & widowers 50 years or older & those 18 years or older with disabilities. Must apply by June 30, 2018. For more information visit RepWentling.com or contact Debra Rodemoyer: 147 Ontiontown Road, Greenville, PA 16125 - 724-475-4331.

TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

Township meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Office with exception to the July meeting which will be July 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

ANTICIPATED ROADS FOR SUMMER 2018 SEAL COAT

Hopper, McDowell, E. Lake, Willadell, Haas, Grove and part of Hamburg from 58 to Haas will be chip sealed.

PARK BUILDING RENTALS

Do not forget the Township Park Building is available to rent. The summer rate for Township residents is \$85.00. Call the Township Office to book your get together!!



CULVERTS

Friendly reminder, homeowners are responsible for maintenance of their own culverts. Please keep the culverts cleaned out in order for the water to drain properly to prevent any damage to the road.

BUILDING PERMITS

As we are approaching warmer weather it also brings the season of construction. Do not forget to obtain a permit before you start! For more information you can visit: www.richardsoninspectionsservices.com or call 724-406-0031 for any of your any of your permit questions.

GET \$50.00 FOR YOUR OLD FRIDGE

The appliance Recycling Program offered by FirstEnergy's Pennsylvania utilities will pick up your **working** fridge or freezer and responsibly recycle it. You'll get \$50.00 and save money on your electric bill. For more information www.energysavePA.com or call 1-800-277-0527.

ANNUAL COLLECTION EVENT

Mercer County Special Collection Event is tentatively scheduled for September, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Jefferson Township Fairgrounds and will accept: all appliances, electronics, tires, batteries, HHW and fluorescent lights. PLEASE NOTE fees apply.

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