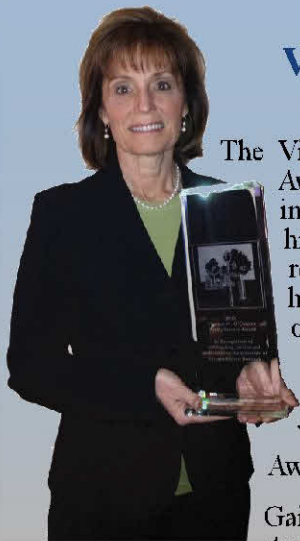


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VISCOME RECEIVES VWO AWARD

The Vincent W. O'Connor Public Service Award is presented annually to an individual who has unselfishly devoted his/her time to the public good of the residents of Elizabethtown through his/her community and civic endeavors over a period of years.

This year, Elizabethtown Borough Council is pleased to award the Vincent W. O'Connor Public Service Award to Gail J. Viscome.

Gail is the daughter of Dr. James Johnston and Dr. Marion Johnston of Carlisle, PA. She is a graduate of Carlisle High School, attended the College of Wooster in Ohio, and graduated from Elizabethtown College with a Bachelor of Science in Music Therapy. Gail worked for several years at Philhaven as a Music Therapist. She obtained a Master of Science degree in Rehabilitation Counseling at West Virginia University and went on to work in that field for several years. Gail and her husband, Nicholas J. Viscome, have three children – Laura and twins Curt and Julia.

In 1998, Gail became involved on the Youth Alliance of Elizabethtown and through this group and a grant application, was instrumental in the creation of Communities That Care of Elizabethtown, a non-profit organization devoted to providing positive opportunities for children and families in Elizabethtown. Gail has served as Executive Director since 1999. Gail and Communities that Care have developed great collaborative working relationships with schools, municipalities, the college, police departments, Churches that Care, and numerous local organizations serving youth to offer evidence-based programs to our community. Gail has been a leader in delivering parenting programs that provide critical information to assist parents in navigating challenging issues and decisions facing them. Gail and Communities that Care have successfully brought more than \$2 million in services for children and families to the community, including programs such as Multisystemic Therapy, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, the Olweus Bully Prevention, after school programs to support children with development of social skills, and mentoring programs that honor families and children in their effort to care for themselves and others.

Gail has served on the Board of Directors for the Naaman Center for thirteen years, and she is currently on the Board of Directors for the Elizabethtown Area Education Foundation. Gail is an active member of Lifegate Church in Elizabethtown. She previously served on the Board of Directors for the Elizabethtown Area Nursery School.

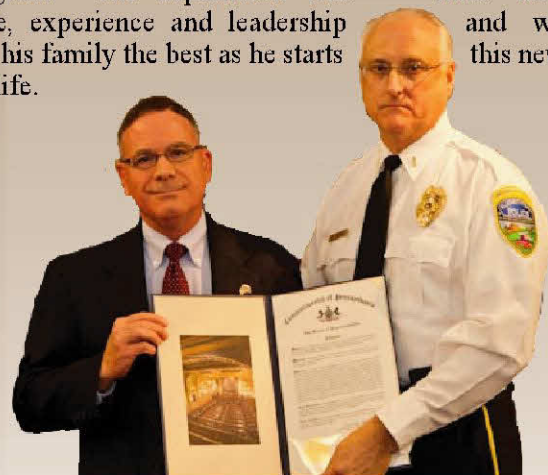
Gail believes there remains a need in the community to help families thrive and provide affirmation for all the good things that our children are doing. She confirms "I have seen proof that we can all make a difference in spite of our mistakes and failures and inspire the efforts of various groups to keep improving our community."

SERVICE AWARD

Dave Hudzick and Rick Morton were presented with service awards at the February 21, 2013 Borough Council meeting. Hudzick reached his 25th year of employment with the Borough on January 4th, and Morton celebrated the anniversary of his 35th year on February 6th. We congratulate and thank them for their years of service and dedication to the community.

LIEUTENANT DITZLER RETIRES

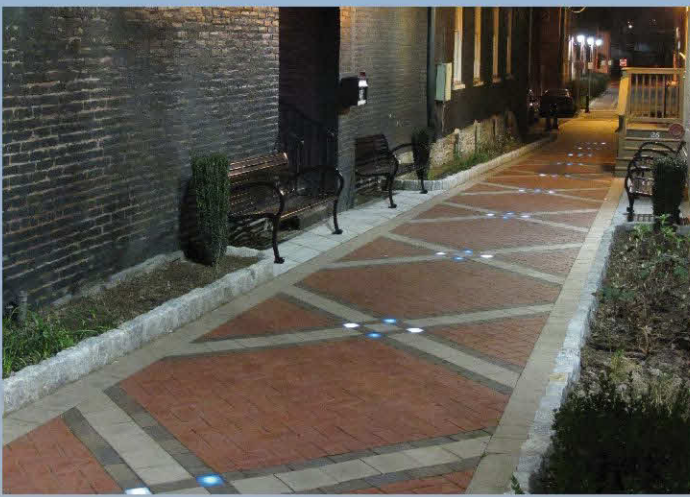
Lieutenant Joseph M. Ditzler retired from the Elizabethtown Police Department on November 30, 2012 after 30 years of service. During his tenure Ditzler earned recognition, most notably for his work establishing and coordinating the Youth Aid Program, organizing and presenting the McGruff the Crime Dog and Seatbelt "Dummies" Safety and Awareness Programs, coordinating the college internship and high school shadow student programs, and training schools in the Alert Lockdown Inform Counter Evacuate (A.L.I.C.E.) program. The department will miss his knowledge, experience and leadership and wish him and his family the best as he starts this new facet of his life.



Presentation made by State Representative Dave Hickernell to Lt. Ditzler

OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Officer Michael Lyons was selected as the 2012 Officer of the Year by his fellow officers in the Police Department.



PEDESTRIAN PATHWAY NETWORK CONTINUES TO EVOLVE

In conjunction with the Official Map for Regional Trails of the Regional Strategic Plan, the Borough has acquired funding for two projects to expand the pedestrian and bicycle pathway network east from Market Street through Community Park to the school district campus. Federal Smart Growth Transportation Program and PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) grant funds have been secured to cover construction costs for the project. In addition to the pathway connectivity, improvements include construction of a parklet at Spruce and Washington Streets with benches, landscaping and lighting; an entry-way with ADA parking into the park near Cherry Alley; a sand volleyball court; new play equipment; enhanced pathways that link the three segments of the linear park as well as a loop connecting the play features located within its borders; and relocation of the amphitheater. Work is expected to begin this summer.

TRAIN STATION OVERFLOW PARKING LOT PEDESTRIAN PATHWAY

Borough Council awarded a contract for the construction of the Amtrak train station overflow and long-term parking lot and the pedestrian and bicycle pathway connecting the train station with downtown. The project will incorporate additional improvements at the train station, including a covered bike shelter, retaining walls on both sides of the station to manage bank erosion, additional security measures on the property, and stormwater facilities along the pathway. Work on this project, funded with state and federal funds, is expected to begin in early spring. For more information on the train station project, visit the Borough website (www.ETOWNONLINE.COM) and click the link for Train Station Updates.

STREAM BANK STABILIZATION PROJECT

Public Works crew recently installed stream bank stabilization in Community Park at sections near Spruce and Mount Joy Streets. These improvements were necessary after Tropical Storm Lee eroded the area in September 2011. The project is supported with reimbursement from FEMA.

SPECIAL EVENTS

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The 10th Annual Arts in the Park celebration will be held on Saturday, May 11th at Community Park from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information, visit the event website at www.ETOWNARTSINTHEPARK.COM or call the Borough Office at 367-1700.

Have A Heart Help Us Help Others

The Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank will hold a Blood Drive at the Elizabethtown Borough Office on Monday, July 15th from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. No appointment is necessary. Help us meet the need by donating blood. Call the Borough Office at 367-1700 for questions or more information.

SUMMER LUNCH SERIES

The 21st annual Elizabethtown Summer Lunch series will be held at Center Square each Thursday beginning May 16th and concluding July 25th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (with the exception of July 4th). For more information contact the Chamber at 361-7188 or visit info@elizabethtowncoco.com.

SWIFT911 REMINDER

The Borough continues to partner with the Elizabethtown Area Water Authority (EAWA) for the Swiftreach Network "reverse 911" emergency notification system for notifying residents of important events such as snow emergency situations, upcoming street repairs, sewer main breaks, or police emergencies. To make sure you are on the list or to edit your contact information, call the Borough Office (367-1700) or visit the website (www.ETOWNONLINE.COM) and follow the link for Emergency Notification.

NORTHWEST EMS

Northwest EMS is offering Borough residents the opportunity to learn Hands Only CPR. Free classes will be held at 380 W. Bainbridge Street starting at 6:30 p.m. on the following dates: April 28, May 12, June 23, July 21, August 18, September 15, October 13, November 10 and December 8. There is no need to pre-register unless you are bringing a large group of people. For more information call 361-8220.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

For the latest information and updates of interest to Borough residents, be sure to check out our website at www.ETOWNONLINE.COM and also follow us on Facebook.

2013 STREET PAVING SCHEDULE

Ridge Road—Market Street to Hampden Heights
Chestnut Street—Ridge Road to Groff Avenue
Woodland Avenue—Ridge Road to Groff Avenue
Greenleaf Lane—South Mount Joy Street to end
South Mount Joy Street—Acorn Lane to end
Holly Street—Hillside Avenue to end

Each year the Borough's Public Works crew spends the summer before paving begins repairing public utilities (sewer lines and stormwater facilities) and monitoring curb and sidewalk installation. Elizabethtown Area Water Authority also repairs water lines and hydrants. Property owners are notified of the amount of curb and sidewalk that needs to be replaced before the 2013 paving begins. Residents are reminded to maintain their street trees to ensure a minimum clearance of 7 ½ feet above sidewalks and 14 feet above road surfaces.

SPRING STREET SWEEPING

The Borough will be sweeping streets according to the following schedule (weather permitting):

- April 9- EVEN side of the street, NORTH of High St.
- April 10- ODD side of the street, NORTH of High St.
- April 11- EVEN side of the street, SOUTH of and including High St.
- April 12- ODD side of the street, SOUTH of and including High St.

Parking will be restricted on these streets from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the scheduled day. Residents may sweep sidewalks into the gutters prior to the sweeper coming through. Please do not put leaves and/or sticks in the gutter as the sweeper will not pick them up.

CURBSIDE TRASH & RECYCLING

Residents may put out one 32-gallon container weighing less than 40 pounds per week on their designated collection day, one large item that does not fit into a 32-gallon container, and commingled recycling. Cardboard is also accepted at the curb and will be picked up on your regular trash day so long as it is broken down flat and put in your recycling container, or bundled and placed beside your recycling container. Shredded paper is accepted either in a recycling bin or in clear plastic bags. **Please note that no other recyclable items in plastic bags will be collected.**

Recycling bins are no longer sold at the Borough Office, but you can stop by weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to pick up a free 8" circular recycling symbol sticker. You can continue to use your current green bin, or you may use any plastic container with a recycling sticker attached, even a full size trash can with a lid if you choose.

Additional tags for trash collection may be purchased for \$2 each at the Borough Office and local stores. To best affix a tag to a bag, be sure to fold it over at some point so the tag sticks to itself. When using an extra container, affix the tag to the top item inside the container.

2013 RECYCLING SCHEDULE

WOODY WASTE AND BRANCHES

Curbside collection the second Saturday of every month. Tie with string in bundles less than 4 feet in length or place in can or other container. Please keep bundles or containers less than 40 pounds in weight. Branches in bundles up to 20" in diameter will be accepted.

April 13
May 11
June 8

July 13
August 10
September 14

October 12
November 9
December 14

WHITE GOODS & TIRES

Curbside Collection on **April 27th and November 2nd.**

Extra Service Tag required for each item - \$12.00 for white good/appliance and \$2.00 per tire. Tags sold at the Borough Office only-Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m..

LEAF COLLECTIONS - {LEAVES ONLY}

Curbside Collection of leaves placed in biodegradable kraft leaf bags (available free to residents) occurs on the same day as regular trash collection during the following weeks:

October 23, 24 & 25 November 20, 21 & 22
November 6, 7 & 8 December 4, 5 & 6

Please put **ONLY** leaves in the bags, **NO** sticks, acorns, pinecones or other yard waste. Tops of Kraft leaf bags should be rolled closed; please do **NOT** use tape to seal the bags.



YARD WASTE COLLECTIONS

Curbside collection on Saturday **May 4th and June 1st.**

In addition to leaves, sticks, acorns, pinecones and other yard waste placed in Kraft bags will be accepted at this time. Again, tops of Kraft leaf bags should be rolled closed; please do **NOT** use tape to seal the bags.

KRAFT LEAF BAG DISTRIBUTION

Each year the Borough purchases 46,000 biodegradable Kraft leaf bags through a joint purchasing arrangement with the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority for approximately \$0.28 each. While supplies last, Kraft leaf bags are provided free of charge to residents for yard waste and leaf collections. Residents are urged to take only the number of bags they expect to need for their individual property; there is a 25-bag limit each time you pick up bags. Kraft leaf bags are available at the Scout House in Community Park on Verdant Alley on the following dates:

WEDNESDAYS, 7 A.M. - 6 P.M.

April 17 & 24 October 9, 16, 23 & 30
May 1, 15, 22 & 29 November 6, 13, & 20
December 4


SATURDAYS, 8 A.M. - 10 A.M.

April 20 & 27 October 12, 19 & 26
May 18 & 25 November 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

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ELIZABETHTOWN BICYCLE OFFICERS HAVE NEW RIDES

Thanks to a generous contribution of \$3,300 from the Moose Lodge, the Rotary Club, and the American Legion, the Elizabethtown Police Bicycle Unit Officers will be patrolling the streets on state of the art wheels this year. "The four bikes that are being replaced are as old as 17 years and in dire need of replacing," said Chief Jack Mentzer. The new lightweight Trek bicycles feature 27 speeds, shock absorbers, and an interchangeable cargo platform to stow police gear while on the go and are built to handle the rigors of police bike duty, which requires traversing rough terrain and even descending stairs on occasion, as well as circumnavigating through crowds with the utmost care and control. Elizabethtown's Bicycle Patrol Unit consists of five officers that don't mind burning calories to keep our community safe. Officers Luann Pearson, Rich Regel, Jesse Schlotzhauer, Dustin Ryan and Alex Leonard have all completed extensive bicycle training courses and are mostly seen in their bright yellow jackets during parades and special events.



ELIZABETHTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The 100% Volunteer Elizabethtown Fire Department relies on the generous financial support of the community. Look for the Fire Department on May 11th at Arts in the Park, and please plan to support the Department with its upcoming fundraising events:

- Chicken BBQ - Saturday, May 25
- E-town Fair Baby Photo Contest - August 19-24
- 2nd Annual Golf Tournament - Friday, September 13



THE CONEWAGO CREEK INITIATIVE: A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY

The Conewago Creek Initiative was established to help property owners make voluntary improvements to reduce the impact of land on the quality of water in the Conewago Creek. For more information on the Conewago Creek Initiative and to learn how you can become involved, call 948-6609 or visit www.conewagoinitiative.net.

HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

The Lancaster County Redevelopment Authority offers 0% interest loans to qualified low- to moderate-income homeowners. For more information call the Lancaster County Redevelopment Authority at 394-0793, ext 226.