

ELIZABETHTOWN

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2016 VINCENT W. O'CONNOR AWARDS

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 for the residents of Elizabethtown through community and civic endeavors over a period of years. Elizabethtown Borough Council is pleased to award the 2016 Vincent O'Connor Public Service Award to two gentlemen this year—John Buch and Kenneth D. Myer.

John Buch (pictured below) has given nearly 55 years of public service to the Elizabethtown community. John served as a Borough Council member for 24 years and two terms as Council President. He served on the Park Commission, prior to the creation of GEARS, for 15 years. He has been a Board Member for the Elizabethtown Area Water Authority since its creation in 2005. The Center Square renovation project in the early 1980s and construction of the two largest pavilions in Community Park by civic organizations happened during John's time on Borough Council. He traveled with a delegation from Elizabethtown to Ireland during the formation of the sister city relationship with Letterkenny, County Donegal. John is pleased to know that he served on Borough Council with Vincent O'Connor and recalls many hearty discussions during that time.

John has a long family history in Elizabethtown; his father served on Borough Council years ago, and he fondly refers to Elizabethtown as a great town. John is a former Assistant Superintendent and Finance Director with the Chester County schools and was a teacher at Donegal School District. He was involved in the formation of the Elizabethtown Music Foundation and, enjoying the spotlight, appeared in its productions of *Annie Get Your Gun* as the Indian chief, in *Damn Yankees* as a baseball manager, and as the king in *The King and I*.

John's contributions and community service have been made possible by Jane, his supportive wife of 67 years, who kept the home fires

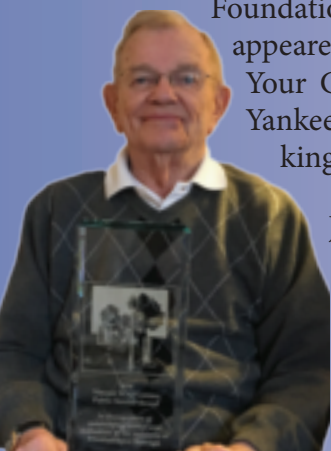
burning and could produce a fabulous meal in record time. John and Jane have five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Their daughter Maryann attended the Chamber of Commerce dinner to watch John receive the award and daughter Jane sent her congratulations from Cleveland. Their youngest daughter, Patty, died at the age of 21 after a courageous battle with cystic fibrosis. John and Jane are residents of Masonic Village and active members of the Christ Church United Church of Christ where John served on the Consistory for eight years.

Kenneth D. Myer (pictured right) is owner/operator of Myerose Dairy Farm, but Kenny is probably best known for his work with the Elizabethtown Fair where he has served as President since 1995. He helped establish the event, taking it from its origins as a Jaycee Community Picnic to the current week-long community event held every August.



Kenny has an extensive history of community service, during which time he has received many awards and recognitions including the Future Farmers of America PA Keystone Award in 1962, Granger of the Year Award in 1985, Moose Man of the Year in 1994, International Association of Fairs & Expositions Heritage Award in 2008, and the PA Fair Ambassador Award in 2010. He was appointed to the PA Agriculture Fair Advisory Board in 1995 by Governor Ridge, a post he holds to this day. Kenny has also been active with the Masons (Treichler Lodge) since 1967, Elizabethtown Young Farmers, Elizabethtown Jaycees, and the Elizabethtown Chamber of Commerce Board. He is currently a member of the PA Holstein Association, Holstein Association of America, and the School District Agriculture Advisory Board.

We congratulate John and Kenny on this well-deserved recognition.





ELIZABETHTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department is offering a reflective sign program to help residents be sure house numbers are clearly visible from the street. Blue or green signs are available for \$20 each by emailing the Fire Department at 911signs@etownfire.com. Help the first responders find you quickly in emergency situations by mounting one of these signs at your home.



Be sure to support the Fire Department during its annual chicken BBQ on Saturday, May 21st.

SPRING STREET SWEEPING

Sweeping Borough streets this spring will be done on following schedule (weather permitting):

- May 2 – EVEN side of the street, NORTH of High St.
- May 3 – ODD side of the street, NORTH of High St.
- May 4 – EVEN side of the street, SOUTH of and including High St.
- May 5 – 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 street sweeper coming through, but please do not put leaves and/or sticks in the gutter as the sweeper will not pick them up.

Please note that while street sweeping will follow the schedule above, it is possible that additional passes will be made in certain areas.

MS4

Do Your Part to Reduce Water Pollution! Water pollution can negatively impact nearby rivers, lakes and streams that we rely on for our drinking water and recreational activities. Everyone can implement small approaches to significantly reduce water pollution. Using natural fertilizers and not overwatering your lawns will help reduce pollutants from entering groundwater sources. For more information on the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4), contact the Borough Office at 367-1700.

2016 SPRING PAVING SCHEDULE

The following streets are on the 2016 paving schedule:

- Lime St. (Hillside Ave. to Conoy Ave.)
- Conoy Ave. (Lime St. to Spring Garden St.)
- Sunrise Blvd. (Conoy Ave. to Spring Garden St.)
- Overlook Circle (entire length)
- Heather Circle (entire length)
- Iris Circle (entire length)
- North Mount Joy St. (Willow St. to High St.)

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. During this time the 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 2016 paving begins. Residents are reminded to maintain their street trees to ensure a minimum clearance of 7½ feet above sidewalks and 14 feet above road surfaces.

MARKET STREET RESURFACING PROJECT

Penn DOT has announced its plans to resurface Market Street during 2016-2017. To prepare for this project the Borough is scheduling utility work over the spring and summer including sanitary sewer and storm sewer repairs along with concrete work necessary to accommodate crosswalks and ADA-compliant ramps. Affected property owners have received letters advising of any sidewalk replacement that will be necessary. Look for updates on our Facebook page as the project progresses.

ELIZABETHTOWN AREA WATER AUTHORITY

Native Plant Seminar: Interested in learning about the benefits of native plants in your landscape? Call the Elizabethtown Area Water Authority at 367-7448 to register for a free seminar on May 14th from 9:00 a.m to 10:00 a.m. **Call early - Space is limited!**



ELIZABETHTOWN EVENTS



ARTS IN THE PARK

The 13th Annual Arts in the Park celebration will be held on Saturday, May 7th at Community Park from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For more information, follow Arts in the Park on Facebook or call the Borough Office at 367-1700.

BLOOD DRIVE SCHEDULED

The Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank will hold a Blood Drive at the Elizabethtown Borough Office on Monday, July 25th 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 for questions or more information.

SUMMER LUNCH SERIES

The 24th annual Elizabethtown Summer Lunch series will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Center Square each Thursday from May 26 to July 28. Visit www.elizabethtowncoc.com for more information.

NWEMS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS



Ambulances responding to emergencies are a highly visible reminder of how Northwest EMS serves this community, but the organization also provides educational programs to help keep you and your family safe.

Cribs for Kids is a program that teaches safe sleep practices to parents of infants. Soon-to-be parents in the last few months of pregnancy are welcome to contact Northwest EMS for information. The greatest risk of Sudden Infant Death is highest in the second to fourth months of life. The program is done in the home so the educator can identify risks, dangers and needs. A crib, sheets and a sleep sack for the baby can be donated to families who take this educational program and have the need but not the finances to buy them. The cost of the program is covered by a state grant, and educational materials are provided by the Hershey Medical Center and Children's Miracle Network.

Concussion awareness has been in the news recently with professional athletes being sidelined rather than risk brain injury. Northwest EMS has developed an educational program for youth sports leagues. School teams often have a team doctor provide the required PIAA concussion awareness training, but many times town clubs do not have this resource. This training can be presented at a team's location or in one of the three EMS stations located in Elizabethtown, Maytown or Manheim. CPR and first aid instruction can be provided for the coaches needing certification along with a review of first aid kits and protocols. Northwest EMS also has a concussion awareness program for parents and athletes.

To find out more about these programs, or to schedule a session with an educator, call Lori Shenk, NWEMS Community Outreach Manager, at 371-8282.

LEADERCAST

The Chick-fil-A Leadercast is a leadership event on Friday, May 6, broadcast LIVE from Atlanta directly to our community sponsored by the Elizabethtown Area Chamber of Commerce, Masonic Village, and Elizabethtown Public Library. This year's Leadercast features renowned speakers and leaders that include Andy Stanley, Nick Saban, Kat Cole, Dr. Henry Cloud, Rorke Denver, Steve Wozniak, Chris Barez-Brown, James Brown, and Tripp Crosby.

For reservations, questions or information regarding sponsorship opportunities please contact the Elizabethtown Area Chamber of Commerce Office at 361-7188 or info@elizabethtowncoc.com.



2016 RECYCLING SCHEDULE



CURBSIDE TRASH and RECYCLING

Residents may put out **one 32-gallon container weighing less than 30 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 (T, W, or TH) so long as it is flattened and easy for the loaders to handle. If flattened cardboard will not fit in your recycling container, it may be bundled and placed at the curb beside your recycling container. Shredded paper is accepted in a recycling bin or clear plastic bags (no other recyclable items in plastic bags will be collected).

Recycling bins are no longer available at the Borough Office, but you can stop by weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to pick up **free 8" recycling symbol stickers**. You can continue to use your green bin, or use any plastic container with a recycling sticker attached.

Additional tags for trash collection may be purchased for \$2 each at the Borough Office and local stores. When using an extra container, affix the tag to the top item inside the container.

HOLIDAY TRASH DELAYS

Now that the trash collection schedule has been adjusted to Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday, if a holiday should fall on your regular collection day, pickup will be moved to Friday of that week. Collection for the day falling on the holiday is the only day that will be affected—no other change in collection that week will occur. This year the only holiday trash delay will occur on November 24th (Thanksgiving), which will be collected on Friday, November 25th.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Yard waste (soft and woody) is now collected every other week on the same day as regular trash and recycling pick-up. Soft and woody yard waste can be combined and placed in a container/can of your choice. As with recycling stickers, free yard waste stickers are available at the Borough Office between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Branches should be tied with string in bundles up to 20 inches in diameter and less than 4 feet in length and set at the curb or placed in a can or other non-disposable container. Please keep in mind that containers should weigh no more than 30 pounds. Kraft leaf bags are designated for collection of leaves only (see schedule below), not for soft or woody yard waste.

LEAF COLLECTIONS

Curbside collection of leaves placed in biodegradable Kraft leaf bags (free to residents) occurs on the same day as regular trash collection on the following dates:

- October 18, 19, 20
- November 1, 2, 3, 15, 16, 17, 29, 30
- December 1

Roll the top of the Kraft bag closed (no tape please).

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 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. Please refrain from using Kraft bags for soft and woody yard waste collections. Kraft leaf bags are available at the Scout House in Community Park on Verdant Alley on the following dates:

WEDNESDAYS, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

- October 5, 12, 19
- November 2, 9, 16, 30

SATURDAYS, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

- October 8, 15, 22
- November 5, 12, 19

WHITE GOODS and TIRES

Curbside Collection on April 23rd and November 5th. Extra Service Tag required for each item—\$15 for white good/appliance and \$3 per tire. Tags sold only at the Borough Office Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



2015 OFFICER of the YEAR



Officer Chuck Zongilla has been selected as 2015 Officer of the Year by his fellow officers in the Police Department. Zongilla joined the Department in 1991 and since that time has served as a Forensics Officer, Department

Evidence Technician and is a member of the Lancaster County Forensic Team. He has received many awards and recognitions over the years, including multiple letters of commendation, distinguished unit citations, and letters of appreciation.

According to Police Chief Jack Mentzer, "Officer Zongilla is a true professional and outstanding officer. He is an asset to the Department consistently demonstrating a thoroughness in his work and dedication to the community."

Pictured Above: Christine Zongilla, Officer Chuck Zongilla, Mayor Chuck Mummert

ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE

Key Dates to Note

- April 13: Ware Lecture on Peacemaking featuring Kim Phuc
- May 6: Last day of Classes
- May 13: Baccalaureate and Reflections by the Lake (outdoor event until 11 p.m.)
- **May 14: Commencement**
- August 15-28: Students return to campus
- August 29: Classes begin
- August 30: Convocation
- October 6-10: Fall Break
- October 15: Homecoming
- December 12: End of Fall Semester



Visit www.etown.edu for more information

CITIZEN and POLICE RECOGNITION

At Borough Council's February meeting, Police Chief Mentzer and Northwest EMS Clinical Operations Manager, Suzette Kreider, presented the following awards and recognitions to private citizens and police officers called to the scene of a cardiac arrest near Elizabethtown College on December 10, 2015.



1st row: Elizabeth Weidemoyer, Mel Fahnestock, Mara Rhodes, Valentina Miniscalco
2nd row: Officer Joseph Grego, Mark Fahnestock, Officer Jacob Kadilak

1. Valentina Miniscalco and Mara Rhodes, Elizabethtown College students, for recognizing a life-threatening situation and immediately calling 9-1-1
2. Elizabeth Weidemoyer for administering CPR as quickly as possible
3. Mark Fahnestock—Re-Birth Certificate issued by NWEMS for surviving the incident
4. Officer Joseph Grego—Life-Saving Commendation for initiating the AED response
5. Officer Jacob Kadilak—Distinguished Unit Citation for coordinating emergency response onsite
6. Corporal Gordon Berlin—while Corporal Berlin was unable to be at the meeting, he was recognized with a Life Saving Commendation for relieving Ms. Weidemoyer's CPR efforts upon his arrival at the scene

Kreider stated, "We are fortunate to live in a community where people are quick to take action in times of need. The efforts of all involved made our job as emergency responders much easier and went a long way to saving a life."



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WASTEWATER


Let's talk about sump pumps that are connected and discharging into the Borough's sanitary sewer system, a practice prohibited by Borough Ordinance for very good reason. A half-horsepower sump pump will push out approximately 60 gallons of water per minute, or 3,600 gallons of water for every hour it operates. If this one sump pump operates for 12 hours, it will discharge a total of 43,200 gallons into the system! Multiply this number by 10, 20, 30, or even 40 and it would not take long to have 1-2 million gallons of extra water flowing into the sanitary sewer system. This excess water can attribute to surcharging and possible backups, something no one wants.

With this in mind, the Borough is asking residents, landlords, and business owners to check and remove any sump pumps that may be illegally connected to the Borough's sanitary sewer system. Every sump pump that is removed reduces the volume of water entering the sanitary sewer system that will need to be treated at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

GRASS and WEEDS

With the coming of spring, the Borough reminds all property owners of the requirement to maintain weeds and grass below 6 inches in height and to keep the area between the curb and street free from weeds or plant growth. Weeds are defined as all grasses, annual plants, and vegetation other than trees or shrubs. Be sure to comply with these requirements to avoid fines and penalties that may be assessed for failing to do so.



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