

# Elizabethtown

BOROUGH BULLETIN

## D.A.R.E. PROGRAM



At the Mill Rd Elementary School D.A.R.E. graduation on June 2nd, Elizabethtown Rotary Club President Ralph Detrick (back, second from left) presented \$500 on behalf of the Rotary Club to benefit D.A.R.E. Accepting the check were Elizabethtown Police Chief Jack Mentzer and D.A.R.E. Officer Luann Pearson joined by the Mill Road Elementary School fifth grade students and fifth grade teachers Melissa Chroschinski (back left) and John Mooney (back right). Photo courtesy of Susan E. Grubb, Engle Printing and Publishing Company.

The Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program teaches 5th grade students the dangers of drug, alcohol and tobacco use. The Elizabethtown Police Department started presenting the D.A.R.E. program in 1995, both in the public and private schools. The program has positively impacted over 2,800 students since its inception.

Chief Jack Mentzer presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Ward I Councilman

Dr. Dale Treese for his donation to the D.A.R.E. Program. (photo above) The East High Street Elementary PTO also donated \$750 to the D.A.R.E. program.



## POLICE RECEIVE VAN DONATED BY NORTHWEST EMS

Chief of Police Mentzer expressed his appreciation to the Northwest EMS Board of Directors and Executive Director Scott Kingsboro for the donation of a transport van to the police department. "We are very pleased with this donation, as this unit will allow the police department to have specialized equipment consolidated in one vehicle when responding to crime scenes, serious accidents or other incidents. The Special Services Unit will allow us to more efficiently and effectively respond to serious incidents by providing specialized evidence collection and recovery capabilities as well as advanced accident investigation equipment."

The exterior of the van required some body work and painting, but the interior improvements were completed by Borough employees. The Chief recognized Corporal Steve Barbour and public works employees Jeff Kinsey, Rick Morton, and John Williams for their work designing and installing the van's interior storage and work space, resulting in significant cost savings for the project. The Special Services Unit is expected to be in service by the end of June.



The Elizabethtown police department has acquired a Special Services Unit for its fleet of vehicles. The 1993 Ford E-350 Econoline van, once used as an EMS transport van, was donated to the police department by Northwest EMS.

## LANCASTER COUNTY PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNT CARD PROGRAM



Beginning in June 2009, the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will offer residents of Lancaster County a FREE prescription drug discount card. The Lancaster County Prescription Discount Card will provide a discount on prescriptions not covered by another health plan at any of the 91 participating pharmacies in Lancaster County or 59,000 participating pharmacies Nationwide.

Any county resident without prescription coverage can use this program. However, even if you have insurance for prescription drugs, you may still benefit from the card by receiving a discount on prescription drugs your existing plan does not cover. There are no eligibility requirements, enrollment forms, or membership fees to use the Lancaster County Prescription Drug Discount Card. Simply pick up a card and take it to a participating pharmacy to receive a discount. One card can be used for the whole family.

For additional information about the program or to find a participating pharmacy near you, please visit [www.caremark.com/naco](http://www.caremark.com/naco), [www.co.lancaster.pa.us](http://www.co.lancaster.pa.us), or call toll free 1-877-321-2652. This discount card is available through the Commissioners' partnership with the National Association of Counties (NACo) and is administered by Caremark. Please stop by the Elizabethtown Borough Office to pick up a discount card and begin saving.

## COMMUNITY PARK MEMORIAL AREA

The design of the Community Park Memorial Area creates an area in the park where residents can make contributions in memory of someone else such as a friend, family member or co-worker. Residents that wish to make contributions to the Community Park Memorial Area can view the design and choose a particular tree or planting they wish to contribute. Bronze plaques are placed near the plantings as they are installed and are inscribed with the names of the individuals being remembered. Please contact the Borough Office at 367-1700 for more information.



## WWTP LAB ACCREDITATION

The laboratory at Elizabethtown Borough's wastewater treatment plant is accredited through the Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Act signed into law in 2002. As an accredited facility, the lab is in compliance with standards as regulated by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for testing methods, lab supervisor and technician training, equipment, and discharge of treated effluent.



Dave Hudzick, Assistant Supervisor, performs tests on a daily basis on samples taken from the Borough's wastewater treatment plant.

As part of the accreditation requirements, Assistant Supervisor Dave Hudzick performs proficiency tests on an annual basis, and the laboratory is subject to periodic audit by DEP. Hudzick says that one of the advantages of having an accredited laboratory is the ability to conduct tests on-site. "With a plant this size, it is beneficial to have the test results quickly versus sending the samples off-site to a commercial lab for results." Regular testing conducted in the lab includes pH, suspended solids, ammonia, nitrogen, and various other tests. Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor Dennis Bair recognizes the importance of producing quality results and says "the plant strives to maintain the best quality effluent released by the plant." Hudzick emphasizes that the wastewater treatment plant operation is a team effort, from equipment maintenance and operation throughout the plant to laboratory testing. He says that "a good test indicator is a first response for plant performance. We can respond to issues immediately and make adjustments to plant operations if any issues are detected."





## STREET PAVING SCHEDULE



The following streets will be paved during the summer / fall months of 2009:

Snyder Ave. – Spruce St. to Hummelstown St.  
Hummelstown St.–Chestnut St to Beechwood Ln.  
Hickory Lane – Willow Street to High Street  
Lime Street – Willow St. to Hummelstown St.  
Beechwood Lane – Willow Street to High Street

Each year the Borough's public works crew spends the summer before paving begins replacing water lines, sewer lines, hydrants, installing storm sewers and monitoring curb and sidewalk installation. Property owners have been notified of the amounts of curb and sidewalk that need to be replaced before the 2009 paving begins. Property owners should also maintain their street trees so that there is a minimum of 7 ½ feet of clearance above the sidewalk and 14 feet above any of the road surface.

### NEW SEWER AND TRASH BILL

Beginning this month, residents will notice a new look for their sewer and trash bills in a combined utility bill. An update to the Borough's utility billing software has created greater flexibility in the way utility bills are produced. Sewer and trash will be combined on the same bill, and will no longer be billed separately. Trash services are billed in December and in June. Sewer is billed quarterly. Look for the new Utility Bill postcard in your mailbox.

## SUMMER CHAMBER EVENTS

### SUMMER LUNCH SERIES

Enjoy lunch on the square May 28 to July 30th. Entertainment and great food from 11:30 am to 1 pm every Thursday!

### E-TOWN NIGHT AT THE LANCASTER

**BARNSTORMERS** will be Monday, July 20th. Tickets are \$9.00. Join with other Chamber members and Elizabethtown residents to watch the Barnstormers take on the Long Island Ducks. The first pitch will be thrown out by the winner of a drawing held at Summer Lunch on July 16th.

Call the Chamber/Main Street Office at 361-7188 with any questions.



## 2009 RECYCLING SCHEDULE

### WOODY WASTE / 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. Bundles of branches up to 20" in diameter will be accepted.

Saturday, July 11

Saturday, August 8

Saturday, September 12

Saturday, October 10

Saturday, November 14

Saturday, December 12

### WHITE GOODS & TIRES

Curbside Collection

Extra Service Tag required for each item - \$12.00 for white good/appliance and \$2.00 for tire.

Tags sold at the Borough Office only.



Saturday, November 7

### LEAF COLLECTIONS - {LEAVES ONLY}

Curbside Collection

Place leaves in biodegradable kraft leaf bags available free to residents. Please put ONLY leaves in the bags, NO sticks, acorns, pinecones or other yard waste. Please do not tape bags closed, instead roll the tops closed.

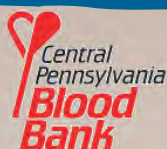
Same day as regular trash collection.

Week of October 21, 22 & 23

Week of November 4, 5 & 6

Week of November 18, 19 & 20

Week of December 2, 3 & 4



## CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA BLOOD BANK TO HOLD BLOOD DRIVE

Summertime temperatures soar, but blood supplies drop! Help us meet the need and donate blood! The Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank will hold a Blood Drive at the Elizabethtown Borough Office on Monday, July 13th from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM. Please call Carla at 367-1700 to schedule your appointment. Walk-ins also welcomed. Your one blood donation can save three lives!

**SHRED IT** benefiting the Elizabethtown Chamber of Commerce is scheduled for Saturday, July 18th on North Mount Joy Street across from Friendship Fire Company. The cost is \$5 per 16" x 12" x 2" box (Chamber Member rate is \$4). Keep your confidential documents confidential.

Visit the Borough's website at [www.ETownOnline.com](http://www.ETownOnline.com) for more information about the services provided by your municipality, to print a zoning permit application form, to read the latest public meeting minutes, to view the trash and recycling collection schedule, and more!

## DCED GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXCELLENCE

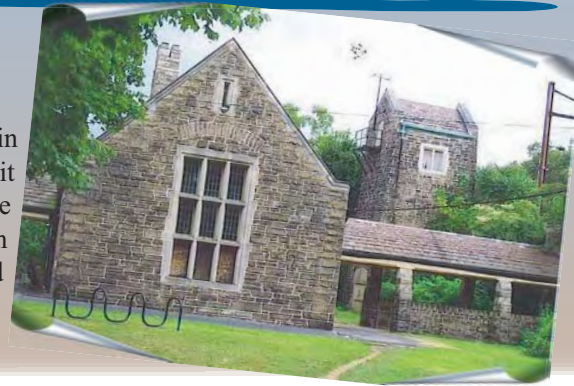


In attendance at the DCED Governor's Award for Local Government Excellence ceremony are (from left to right) George Cornelius (DCED), Dave Spangenberg (Mars Chocolate), Roni Ryan (Assistant Borough Manager), Gary Kroot (Mars Chocolate), Phil Clark (VP Borough Council), Peter Whipple (Borough Manager) and Fred Reddig (DCED).

Elizabethtown Borough received a DCED Governor's Award for Local Government Excellence in the Promoting Community and Economic Revitalization category for the West College Avenue Extension / Mars Chocolate expansion project. The award was presented at a ceremony on April 15, 2009 at the Farm Show Complex and Expo Center in Harrisburg. The project involved a successful public / private partnership between Elizabethtown Borough and Mars Chocolate to accommodate the construction of a new connector road and a \$70 million expansion of the manufacturing plant of Mars Chocolate – Elizabethtown. The Borough supported the expansion project in order to: (a) maintain a major employer in the Borough and create new jobs, (b) secure the most productive use of a large, low-impact industrial facility in downtown Elizabethtown for future generations forward, (c) construct a new connector road to improve pedestrian, auto, and truck traffic at a heavily used intersection, (d) create a new entrance to downtown Elizabethtown and a "second square" that serves as a conduit to Mars Chocolate, Elizabethtown College, and Masonic Village, and (e) spark the beginning of major economic development efforts in downtown Elizabethtown in support of the Master Plan for Downtown Elizabethtown.

## TRAIN STATION FEDERAL STIMULUS FUNDING

The Borough received \$9.3 from the American Reinvestment Recovery Act. The train station project bids will be opened on June 19, 2009. Borough officials estimate that it will take up to forty-five (45) days to review and approve the low bidder for the project. It is expected that ground breaking will take place in August and construction is estimated to take approximately fifteen (15) months. Borough Council is excited after working on this project for more than a decade to be able to report that this anchor project for the community is finally coming to fruition.



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