# Elizabethtewn BOROUGH BULLETIN

#### REIGHARD RECEIVES VWO AWARD



Borough Council presented the 2010 Vincent W. O'Connor Award to Ken Reighard at the 9th Annual Elizabethtown Winter Gala on March 26th. This presti-Award gious presented each year to an individual who has unselfishly devoted his/her time to the public good of the residents of Borough through com-

munity and civic endeavors over a period of years. The award is named for the late Vincent W. O'Connor, Mayor of Elizabethtown for six years and Borough Council member for more than 20 years prior to his death in 1997.

Ken Reighard is a life-long resident of the Borough having graduated from Elizabethtown High School in 1949 and completing his higher education at Central Penn Business College and Elizabethtown College. Ken enlisted in the Army in 1952 and was deployed to Korea. After the war he returned to Elizabethtown where he eventually became manager and owner of Shearer's Furniture Store and Bob's Flower Shop. Before his eventual retirement in 1995 Ken was Vice President of Mutual Inspection Bureau.

Ken's civic service includes involvement with the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, American Legion, and the VFW. He has been affiliated with Elizabethtown Borough government for more than 30 years serving as director of the Area Water Authority and holding seats on the Planning Commission, Parks Commission, and Civil Service Commission. During that time Ken was also Mayor and a member of Borough Council holding the position of Council President. Ken and his wife, Clara (Betz), had three children (two sons and a daughter), five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

#### OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Detective John Emrick, Jr. was recognized at the January 2010 Borough Council meeting for being selected 2009 Police Officer of the Year.

Detective Emrick joined the Department in September 1991 and was appointed Detective in April 2006. During his career he has received the Commendation of Merit twice, the Distinguished Unit Citation twice, and the Police Expert Marksmanship Award. The Eliza-



bethtown Area School District recognized Detective Emrick on four occasions for safety programs for faculty and students, and Elizabethtown College recognized him for "outstanding investigative assistance" during campus investigations. Detective Emrick serves in the Pennsylvania Air National Guard, 193rd Special Operations Wing.

#### LANDVATER RECOGNIZED

Dennis Landvater was recognized at the February 2010 Borough Council meeting for 30 years of service with the Borough. Denny began his career in 1980 with the Police Department. He was promoted to Chief in 1999, a post he held until his retirement from the Department in November 2005.

In January 2006 Denny was appointed part-time Codes Compliance Official, a post he continues to hold. His duties include reviewing and processing residential rental unit licensing applications, inspecting properties, issuing residential rental unit licenses, and maintaining the files on rental

units within the Borough.

We extend congratulations and appreciation to Denny for his many years of service and dedication to the Borough and its residents.



Council President Phil Clark recognizes Denny Landvater for thirty years of service.

## WATER PLANT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



Construction continues to progress on the new Water Treatment Plant located on West Hummelstown Street and is expected to be completed by late summer/early fall 2010. The new plant will give the Elizabethtown Area Water Authority (EAWA) the ability to treat approximately 1.6 million gallons of water per day. In order to accommodate the new capacity limits of the plant, EAWA is installing about 6,600 feet of water line between its Conewago Creek pumping station and the new plant. In an effort to reduce the costs, EAWA has partnered with Elizabethtown Borough, Mount Joy Township, and West Donegal Township to contract for equipment and personnel. It is estimated that this regional effort will save EAWA over \$600,000. Installation of the new water line should be complete by the end of June 2010.

## TRAIN STATION RENOVATION KEEPS CHUGGING ALONG

As of March 1st sections of the new elevated platforms on both sides (northbound and southbound) at the train station were open to the public. Riders can now access the train in either direction on a level surface without stepping up. Demolition of the old platforms is progressing and improvements to the station continue on schedule.



#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EVENTS



The 7th Annual Arts in the Park celebration will be held on Saturday, May 8th at Community Park. The event runs from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and admission is free. Plan to join us for a day of fun for the entire family that includes art and food vendors, entertainment, and a children's area. For more information, visit the event website at www.artsinthepark.com.

#### ANNUAL SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The 19th Annual Summer Concert Series is the community gathering in the heart of downtown that celebrates delicious food, good friends and outstanding free entertainment - Thursdays beginning May 27th through July 29th from 11:30 to 1:00 P.M. at Center Square.

#### **ETOWN NIGHT AT THE BARNSTORMERS**

Join us for a fun celebration at the ballpark – Friday, July 9, 2010.

#### **CHICK-FIL-A LEADERCAST**

Change begins with one. EACC will host a one day leadership event that will inspire you to be the one to make a difference – at work, at home and in the community - Friday, May 7, 2010.

For more information on any of the above events, contact the Elizabethtown Chamber of Commerce at 717-367-7188 or info@elizabethtowncoc.com.

# FREE WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM FOR QUALIFIED RESIDENTS

Councilmember McCloud reports that the Housing Development Corporation (HDC) is once again offering a free weatherization program to qualified residents of Lancaster County. This year an additional \$8.75 million in ARRA funding has been secured for the program with the goal of helping more people who are below 200 percent of the federal poverty level install insulation, do weather stripping and other work that prevents drafts and helps conserve energy, repair or replace furnaces, and buy new energy-efficient appliances. To find out if you qualify, contact the HDC Hotline toll-free at 800-732-3554.

#### SPRING STREET SWEEPING

March 30th - ODD side of the street, NORTH of and including High Street

March 31st- EVEN side of the street, NORTH of and including High Street

April 1st – ODD side of the street, SOUTH of High Street

April 2nd – EVEN side of the street, SOUTH of High Street

Parking will be restricted on these streets from 6 A.M. to 5 P.M. on the scheduled day. Resi-

dents may sweep their sidewalks into the gutters prior to the street sweeper coming through. Please do not put leaves and sticks in the gutter as the sweeper will not pick them up.

#### **SWIFT911 UPDATE**

The Borough has partnered with the Elizabethtown | Tags sold at the Borough Office only. Area Water Authority (EAWA) to use its Swiftreach Networks "reverse 911" emergency notifica- | Saturday, May 1 tion system. During the snow storms this winter, Swift911 was an important tool for alerting residents to snow emergency plans and alternate parking arrangements. Its use is expected to breaks or police emergencies would warrant a call. To make sure you are on the list or to edit your contact information, look for the grey Emergency Notification button on the Borough's website (www.etownonline.com) or call the Borough Office at 367-1700.

#### PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE

The following public meetings are held each month:

Borough Council - 3rd Thursday 7:00 P.M. Planning Commission - 2nd Tuesday 6:30 P.M. Zoning Hearing Board - 1st Monday 7:00 P.M. All meetings, held at the Borough Office, 600 South Hanover Street, are open to the public.

#### LEAF AND YARD WASTE BAGS

Each year the Borough purchases 46,000 biodegradable Kraft leaf bags through a joint purchasing | KRAFT LEAF BAG DISTRIBUTION 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 specified dates.

## 2010 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, April 10 Saturday, May 8 Saturday, June 12 Saturday, July 10 Saturday, August 14 Saturday, September 11 Saturday, October 9 Saturday, November 13 Saturday, December 11

#### WHITE GOODS & TIRES

Curbside Collection

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

Saturday, November 6

### LEAF COLLECTIONS - {LEAVES ONLY}

Curbside Collection

Place leaves in biodegradable kraft leaf bags available continue in cases where street repairs, sewer main | 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 20, 21 & 22 Week of November 3, 4 & 5 Week of November 17, 18 & 19 Week of December 1, 2 & 3

#### YARD WASTE COLLECTIONS

| Curbside Collection

Place leaves and other yard waste, including acorns, pinecones, pine needles and grass in biodegradable kraft leaf bags. No sticks please, they should go with the Woody Waste Collection. Please do not tape the kraft leaf bags closed, instead roll the tops closed.

Saturday, April 3

Saturday, May 1

Wednesdays, 7:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. March 31 April 14 April 21 April 28

Satrudays, 8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

April 17 April 24

For more information check on the Borough's website at www.etownonline.com or call the office at 717-367-1700.

#### RESIDENTS URGED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2010 CENSUS

By the end of March every household in the United States will have received a census form. It is important for all of us to participate in the process because the 2010 Census will not only show us how our community has changed over the last ten years, it will also play a significant role in shaping our future for the coming decade.

The 2010 Census is one of the shortest census forms in history. It asks 10 questions and takes about 10 minutes to complete. The information provided is protected by federal law and cannot be shared with anyone, including the IRS, FBI, CIA, or any other governmental agency.

The Census data collected will establish procedures to distribute over \$400 billion in federal funds and even more in state funds. It is used to reapportion seats in Congress and ensure proper district representation in state and local government, and it helps determine locations for child care and senior centers, new roads, hospitals, schools, and community centers.

All residents are urged to participate in the process by completing the 2010 Census form as soon as it arrives and returning it in the postage-paid return envelope. Households not returning forms can expect a visit from a Census worker to collect the information verbally.

In order to avoid becoming a victim of identity theft, the Better Business Bureau advises cooperation but caution. Census workers may contact you by telephone, by mail or in person at your home. They will not contact you by e-mail, so be on the look-out for e-mail scams. Never click on a link or open any e-mail attachments that are supposedly from the U.S. Census Bureau. If a Census worker comes to your door to verify address information, ask to see identification and a Census badge, and do not invite anyone you don't know into your home. In addition to a badge, Census workers will have a handheld device, a Census Bureau canvas bag and a confidentiality notice. While Census workers may ask for basic financial information such as salary range, they will not ask for Social Security, bank account, or credit card numbers, nor will employees solicit donations.

If you have any questions or concerns about the 2010 Census, visit www.2010.census.gov, or contact the Lancaster Local Census Office at 717.666.2130.

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