



# CALN newsletter

Fall 2015

## The Board of Commissioners

### President Vice President

*John D. Contento Cynthia Haynes Eshleman  
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## Committee and Work Area Assignments

Administration Codes/Zoning, Fire Board  
Planning Commission, Police Pension  
*John D. Contento*

Police, Golf Course, Community  
Services, Police Pension & Emergency Operations  
*Cynthia Haynes Eshleman*

Finance, Engineering, Solid Waste/Recycling  
& Wastewater  
*Jim Kruse*

Recreation, Energy Task Force, Finance, Council of  
Governments, Emergency Operations  
*Joshua B. Young*

Fire, Historical Commission, Community Services,  
Golf Committee,  
Council of Governments Alternate  
*Lorraine Tindaro*

## Meeting Dates & Times

Board of Commissioners  
Work Session

7:30pm - 2nd Thursday of month  
Business Meeting:

7:30pm - Last Thursday of month

Zoning Hearing Board

7:00pm - 1st Thursday of month

Planning Commission

7:00pm - 3rd Tuesday of month

Recreation Board

7:00pm - 1st Monday of month

Townwatch

7:30pm - 2nd Monday of month

Municipal Authority

7:00pm - 4th Monday of month

On Thursday June 25, 2015, the Thorndale Volunteer Fire Company received delivery of our 2015 Spartan/4-Guys custom pumper which was manufactured at the 4-Guys Fire Trucks, Inc. facility located in Meyersdale, PA. The order for the apparatus was placed on July 11, 2014 through Bob Pursel of Commonwealth Fire Equipment Company, Inc. of Winchester, VA. Building it took just shy of one year to complete. Countless hours were spent by the Engine Committee putting together the project and making it a reality.



### Engine Committee Members:

Deputy Chief Dan Donnachie (Chairman)

Engineer Rich Rissel (Past Chairman)

Chief John Cordisco

Assistant Chief Don Taylor

Chief Engineer Adam Dickinson

President Mick Arnold

Superintendent of Life and Safety Ray Stackhouse

The chassis is a Spartan Metro Star LFD with Advanced Protection System with seating for six firefighters including the driver; the engine is a Cummins ISL 9 450 horse power engine and the transmission is a Allison EVS 3000 6 speed automatic. The body is constructed of stainless steel and has a Hale QMAX 1500 gallon per minute single stage fire pump with a 780 gallon "L-shaped" water tank which allows for a low hose bed for firefighter safety. There is an Onan 10KW hydraulic PTO generator and a Will-Bert Night Scan light tower mounted on the roof of the cab.

## Thorndale Volunteer Fire Company

After four years of planning and one year to manufacture, our new engine is finally here! We are very excited to have a state of the art piece of apparatus to protect the residents and businesses of our township. We are replacing our 20 year old HME 4 Guys engine with a 2015 Spartan 4 Guys engine. The new engine is loaded with safety features such as driver air bag, knee air bags for the driver and officer, front and rear side air bags, roll over protection, ABS brakes, stability control, seat belt monitoring system, a progressive engine braking system and a low hose bed. Our engineers and drivers have been training on the new engine for the past two months completing various driving and pumping evaluations. Our firefighters have also been training on the new engine, pulling, deploying and repacking the various hand lines and getting familiar with the apparatus. Our plan is to place it into service by the end of September. We would like to thank the Township Commissioners, former Assistant Township Manager Tony Scheivert and Township Manager Greg Prowant for all of their help and support with this project.

## Township Officials

**Township Manager**  
*Gregory E. Prowant*

**Township Secretary**  
*Mary Kemble Slade*

**Tax Collector**  
*Janet Brown*

**Treasurer**  
**Director of Financial Services**  
*Karen Wertz*

**Township Engineer**  
*Jeffrey W. McClintock, P.E., CFM*

**Code Enforcement Director**  
*Andrew Reczek*

**Chief of Police**  
*Joseph G. Elias*

**Fire Chief**  
*John Cordisco*

**Fire Marshall &  
Emergency Management Coordinator**  
*Ray Stackhouse*

**Township Solicitor**  
*Kristin Camp, Esq.*

**Finance Office Manager**  
*Bonnie Smith*

**Community Services Operations  
& Maintenance Superintendent**  
*Michael Fragale*

**Community Services Construction Director**  
*Mike Fowler*

**Wastewater Operations Director**  
*Scot Gill*

**Planning Commission**  
Chairperson, *Dave Lamb*  
Vice Chairperson, *Eugene Spratt*  
*Jim Benko*  
*Jill Kelly Hammond*  
*Ken Simon*  
*John Robinson, Jr.*  
Secretary, *Cheryl Lafferty*

**Twining Committee**  
*Barry Beach*  
*Patty DeFroschia*

**Vacancy Board**  
*Al DiMatteo*

**Civil Service Commission**  
Chairperson, *Jay Hess, Jr.*  
*Tom DeFroschia*  
*Robert Hart*

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## 2015 CALN TOWNSHIP Fall Chipping Program



### AVAILABLE TO ALL CALN TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

The Fall 2015 Program started on Tuesday, September 29, 2015, and will run weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The last day for chipping will be Thursday, October 29, 2015. Residents who want to take advantage of this free program should call 610-384-0600, x 140 to schedule an appointment.

### CHIPPING PROGRAM GUIDELINES

- All branches must be neatly stacked curbside (no cross-stacking), no larger than 6" in diameter and with cut ends facing the street by 6:00 AM the day of your appointment (recommended the night before). Road crews will not drive onto property or private lanes/road ways, nor will road crews go beyond the edge of the property to collect the branches.
- Appointments will be limited to 15 minutes with NO EXCEPTIONS.
- No stumps. Branches greater than 6" in diameter will NOT be accepted.
- Vines, weeds, leaves, or yard waste will NOT be collected.
- Incorrectly stacked piles will not be picked up.
- No late set outs or oversized piles will be accepted.
- The program is for routine clean up and not designed to assist with clearing properties of trees and shrubs (i.e cutting trees down and putting out for chipping will not be collected).
- This program is for individual Caln Township residential properties only. A resident may use this service one time during the program period. Items collected from outside the Township or through a private or commercial operation will not be processed.



### **Board of Commissioners Accepts a County Grant in the Amount of \$290,000.00**

At the July 30, 2015 Board of Commissioners meeting, the Board accepted a Chester County Grant in the amount of \$290,000.00 to help offset 50% of the overall project cost for the Dogwood/Scott Sewer Improvement

Project, located along a segment of the south side of Blackhorse Hill Road in Caln Township, Chester County. In conjunction with the Caln Township Municipal Authority, the 1st phase will be to provide public sewer to 54 single family detached dwellings with on-lot disposal systems and private wells. The small lot sizes and poor soils have caused problems for proper operation of the on-lot disposal systems. Proposed improvements consist of construction of a low pressure and gravity sanitary sewer collection facility to service these existing dwellings. The Caln Township Municipal Authority is currently working on surveying, designing and permitting the project.

# LEAF COLLECTION

## Township Leaf Vacuuming Program

Leaf vacuuming will begin the week of October 26, 2015. Rather than bagging your leaves, you need only to rake them to the front of your property immediately adjacent to the road's edge.

**LEAVES MUST BE AS CLOSE TO THE ROAD'S EDGE AS POSSIBLE AND NOT OBSTRUCTED BY VEHICLES.**

Please DO NOT rake leaves into the street as leaves can get washed into storm inlets during inclement weather, or can freeze to the roadway as we get cooler temperatures.

## Leaf Vacuuming Begins the "week" of the following dates:

- October 26th (Barley Sheaf Road and east)
  - November 2nd (West of Barley Sheaf Road and North of Kings Highway)
  - November 9th (Barley Sheaf Road and east)
  - November 16th (West of Barley Sheaf Road and North of Kings Highway)
  - November 30th (Township wide clean up)
- There is no appointment necessary for this service.

## Eagle Disposal Leaf Bag Pick-up

Leaf Bags will be collected by Eagle as part of your Yard Waste collection program, on your scheduled collection day.

Leaf bags are NOT available for purchase at the Caln Township building. Bags can be purchased at local hardware stores.

Leaves that are placed in bags that are not Biodegradable bags will not be collected.

**PLEASE HAVE BAGS OUT TO THE CURB NO LATER THAN 5:00 AM** on your collection day.

In an effort to stay on schedule and in fairness to the majority of participants, **NO LATE SET-OUTS WILL BE ACCEPTED!**



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### **Privileged Citizens**

President, *Dorothy Johnson*

### **Old Caln Historical Society**

President, *Joan Ciarlone*  
Vice President, *Illaria Steele*  
Secretary, *Joyce Smith*  
Treasurer, *Bob Steele*

### **Historical Commission**

President, *Tom DeFroschia*  
Vice President, *Lois Demchak*  
*Sharon Taylor*  
*Patty DeFroschia*  
*Doreen Jacoby*  
*Dorothy L. Johnson*  
*Barbara C. Travaglini*  
*Edward Delio*  
*Marlene Hess*  
*Mary Coyne*  
*Leah Jennings*  
*Catherine Callahan*  
*Joyce Smith*

### **Municipal Authority**

Chairperson, *Paul Mullin*  
Vice Chairperson, *Robert Tompkins*  
*John D. Contento*  
*Jim Kruse*  
*George Chambers*  
Recording Secretary, *Denise Miller*

### **Recreation Board**

*Francis Meade*  
*Carol Puoci*  
*Illaria Steele*  
*Joyce Kruse*  
*John DeVecchio*  
*Victoria Cloud*

### **Zoning Hearing Board**

Chairperson, *Thomas Riley*  
*Kevin Schneider*  
*Jason Reed*  
*Anthony Polini, Alternate*  
*James Mayrides, Alternate*  
*Charles Coxson, Alternate*  
*Kimberly Venzie, Esq.*

### **Youth Aid Panel**

*Chip Clavier*  
*Michael DeHaut*  
*Elaine Mayrides*  
*Jeff Cantin*

### **Phone Numbers**

Township Offices  
610-384-0600  
Fax 610-384-0617

Police  
610-383-1821  
8am-4:30pm

Fire/Ambulance & Emergencies  
911

Ingleside Golf Course  
610-384-9128

The 2015 annual fund drive has come to an end and once again I want to thank those that have continued to support our VOLUNTEER fire company. Your support enables our volunteers to protect the residents and businesses of our township. As costs to run our organization continue to rise, it is necessary for my staff to spend more time raising funds rather than training or spending time with their families. Your donations help to reduce that time and allow them to better spend the time they have to volunteer and protect our township.

As the cooler weather approaches, I would like to remind you of a few fire related safety items. Please remember to change your smoke detector batteries when you change your clocks. While you have the smoke detector down to change the batteries you can vacuum or blow out the dust from the unit. This will help to eliminate false activations. You should also check the date of manufacture; if the detector is over five years old you may want to consider replacing it as the detector has a life expectancy of five to seven years depending on the manufacture. You should also test every smoke detector once a month to ensure it is working properly. If you have a carbon monoxide detector you should follow the same guide lines as the smoke detector and they too have a life expectancy of five to seven years. Gas appliances should be checked and serviced to ensure they are operating at their peak performance. Your chimney should be checked and cleaned to reduce the chances of a carbon monoxide event. If you have questions about this information please contact us at the fire station and we can assist or guide you through the process.

October 7th we will be hosting our annual fire prevention open house at 6:00 pm. We invite you and your family to stop by the firehouse to participate in our fire safety activities and to view our various fire prevention displays. There will also be displays from Chester County Department of Emergency Services, the Caln Township Police

Department and Caln Town Watch. It is a night full of learning and fun for all ages. We will also have our new fire engine on display. I hope to see you there.

Before you know it the snow will be falling and we will need your help when it does. If there is a fire hydrant located on or near your property please dig it out when the snow falls. If there is an emergency that requires us to use that hydrant and we cannot get near it or have trouble finding it due to deep snow this will delay our efforts. If you are one of our residences that does this on a regular basis, thank you for making sure we can reach the hydrant in the case of an emergency.

Keep the firehouse banquet room in mind for your holiday parties. What better way to support your local fire company than to rent our banquet room. We have reasonable rates and the room is equipped with a bar and stage depending on your party needs. Please contact Kirk Smith at 610-914-3324 to inquire about availability and pricing.

I am sure all the children of Caln know what happens in December and who will be paying them a visit if they have been good all year! That's right, it will be time for SANTA to visit our township once again! I have already started to work out the details with Mrs. Clause. This year you should see Santa on December 12th in your neighborhoods on the fire truck. So listen for the siren and air horn because you know what comes next... that's right, SANTA!

To keep up on other activities that are happening with the fire company we invite you to visit our web site at [www.thorndalefirecompany.com](http://www.thorndalefirecompany.com). And as always, if you have an interest in becoming a member of the fire company please feel free to contact us at 610-383-4835 or 610-384-9802.

Please be fire safe and the Officers and Firefighters of the Thorndale Volunteer Fire Company would like to wish all of you a safe and healthy Christmas and Happy New Year!

John Cordisco  
Fire Chief  
Thorndale Volunteer Fire Company

## Did You Know?

In 2018 the Township of Caln will be 150 years old.



## NEWS FROM THE OLD CALN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

All programs and activities of the historical society are open to everyone. We welcome new members to be part of the historical background of Caln Township. An individual membership is \$10.00, family \$15.00, and business \$25.00. If you would like to be a member please call Joan Ciarlone 610-384-9496.

NOVEMBER 7th – Annual banquet 5:00 pm at the Thorndale Inn. A short program on Hibernia Mansion (maybe some ghost stories) will be presented by Claudia Altman. She is a terrific speaker.

NOVEMBER 21st – Look for our table at the Thorndale Methodist Church Bazaar from 9-2 pm. Something for everyone.

DECEMBER 1st – Annual Candlelight Christmas Carol program 7:00 pm at the Old Caln Meetinghouse. Music will be provided by the Caln Elementary School Chorus, the Belltones and Redmen from the CASH Meistersingers and well-known local vocalist Kevin Pierce. This is a free program guaranteed to get everyone in the holiday spirit. Punch, hot cider and cookies will be served after the program. Look for our sign! All are welcome.

Great gifts for the holiday or any other occasion can be found on our sale table at the bazaar and at the meetinghouse. We offer pottery, local history books, note paper, and signed prints suitable for framing by local artists Esther Zittle, Dennis Minch and Donald Shoffner. For information on sale items, call Lois 610-384-8153.

The historical society has paid for research on numerous properties in the Township. Look for the green markers as you drive around. Books on each researched property are available and may be borrowed from our lending library by calling Dot Johnson 610-269-3136.

## CALN TOWNSHIP APPLIES FOR TRAIL STUDY

During this past winter Commissioner Jim Kruse had a vision to provide for a non-motorized trail along the Valley Run and Beaver Creek from the center of the Township to the Downingtown Borough line. This was referred to as the Beaver Creek Trail. It is a unique opportunity to create a recreational trail which would link township neighborhoods to each other, and the township park system along with providing a link to the existing regional trail systems to the east including the Chester Valley and Struble Trails. The trail would also have a benefit of linking the portion of the Township east of Beaver Creek with the Thorndale Business District and the Thorndale train station by means of walking or biking. For the first time residents in the northeastern part of the township would be able to walk to the business district and town center along a scenic trail. Ultimately trail users will be able to connect with adjacent communities and trails leading to eastern Chester County and beyond. The Board of Commissioners proceeded this summer to apply for a grant to cover 85% of the cost of a Feasibility Study which would identify design alternatives, natural resources, accessibility, safety, maintenance and construction cost analysis and the most feasible routing of the recreational trail(s) along the Beaver Creek corridor.

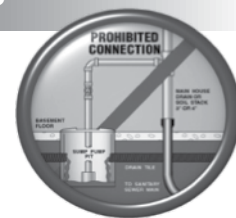


Commissioner Kruse walking the snow covered area for the proposed trail

## CALN TOWNSHIP CRACKS DOWN ON ILLEGAL SUMP PUMPS

Caln Township Municipal Authority (“CTMA”) is expanding its Infiltration & Inflow (I&I) reduction program of our entire sanitary sewer system. We have begun a concentrated effort to reduce our treatment volumes resulting in lower treatment costs, and are now in the process of televising to detect sources of ground water, including the connection of illegal sump pumps. The Authority has purchased advance detection equipment and authorized our sanitary sewer department to identify properties with illegal connections (sump pumps, basement floor drains, rain gutter downspouts, etc.).

An illegal connection to the system will be in violation of ARTICLE II § 12. Prohibited Discharges of the Caln Township Municipal Authority SEWER USE RULES AND REGULATIONS; states that “any unauthorized discharge shall be subject to the violations and penalties of Article I §8, and be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 for each offense”.



If you think you might have an illegal connection contact the Wastewater Department for assistance.

## **GARDNER-BEAL HOUSE (circa 1811)**

(Former Administration Building of Coatesville School District)

The footprint of this historical building is on a 500 acre tract conveyed by William Penn to Ralph Withero in 1681 and in time sold to Peter and Martha Bizaillon in 1731. Peter (Pierre) was a French fur trader and reported to have been a translator for William Penn. He purchased this tract which stretched from the VA hill across to the south hill where Fairview Cemetery is today. Peter built a house for his seventeen year old bride, daughter of a Philadelphia trading house proprietor, who ran away and secretly married him. No doubt their house was made of logs.

Peter died in 1742 and Martha continued to live there until her death in 1764. They did not have children and Martha left her 500 acres to her nephew Thomas Hartt. He died in 1774 and according to his written will half of the acreage was left to his wife Mary, and half to his nephew Thomas Brookes. However, two weeks after Hartt's death his only child, a daughter, was born. This invalidated the will, and daughter Mary inherited the entire property.

Somewhere in the mid-seventies Mary married Dr. Francis Gardner. In 1796 his mother-in-law had been taxed for a house, part stone part log, two barns, a stone springhouse, two log tenements and log barns. This could mean the four barns of varying sizes were possibly used for weaving, butchering, smoking meat, etc. – or they may have been tenant houses. This tax assessment which now included the federal “Glass Tax” was now under the name of Dr. Gardner who was only 24 years old. In 1811 tax records show a “new” house was assessed for \$400. It is the opinion of our researcher that the old house was the rear portion of the present building and the new house the handsome front portion.

Dr. Gardner died in 1815 and Mary in 1833. She left the eastern half of the farm to son Thomas and the western half to son Joseph. The property remained in the Gardner name until 1850 when it was sold at sheriff's sale to John Parke who sold it three years later to James Beale in 1853. In 1881 James Beale died and the farm was left to his wife and children who sold it to the United States of America for a veteran's hospital in 1929. In 1964 the federal government sold 30 acres to the Coatesville School District.

The ties to the Underground Railroad were not documented in the Beale family. However, James Beale and his wife Emily were Quakers and the Quakers were very involved in helping to hide the runaway slaves. There was a tunnel in the basement of the house that led out to the vicinity of the hill. Ross Kershey, local high school history teacher for 30 years, was in this tunnel before it was closed off for safety reasons. Former district employee Elwood Dixon also knew of the tunnel.

The Coatesville School District owns the house and its future maintenance and preservation is still unresolved.

Submitted by Caln Historical Commission

## **Did You Know?**

The Ingleside Diner, an iconic eatery in Caln for many years was located on the site of the current CVS and WAWA.

## **Prescription Drug Take Back Box**

Caln Township is one of five municipalities that are partnering with the Brandywine Health Foundation (BHF), and the Coatesville Youth Initiative (CYI), as part of the prescription drug drop-off program. The program is being sponsored by the Health Foundation and Pennsylvania American Water. The Medical Collection Boxes offer our residents the opportunity to anonymously and safely dispose of unwanted and expired drugs and medication. Our goal is to get these drugs safely off the streets, keeping them away from our youth and protecting our local waterways from contamination. We want to make it convenient to get these unused and dangerous drugs out of the home, safeguarding the family and decreasing the possibility of the drugs being diverted or misused. The drop off box is located in the police station lobby and available during business hours.

# 2015 National Night Out

This year was Caln Township Police Department's second year participating in National Night Out. Like last year, our National Night Out was held in the Caln Municipal Park, located across the street from our police station. Municipal Drive, between Lincoln Highway and GO Carlson Blvd, was closed for the duration of the event. We had approximately 50 different agencies participate. A crowd estimated to exceed 1000 people came out to celebrate our event, which is a huge increase from last year. As was the case in 2014, we did not have separate block parties, but rather invited our entire township and surrounding areas to celebrate in one location. Nonetheless, multiple press releases and social media posts through the Police Department's Facebook page, encouraged residents who could not attend the event at Caln Park, to organize neighborhood block parties in support of National Night Out.



Our night started at 6:00PM, with retired State Police Lieutenant Kevin Pierce returning to sing the National Anthem. Pierce, a resident of Caln Township, was a classmate of Caln Police Chief Joseph Elias when both attended the PA State Police Academy in 1985. We had the posting of the colors by VFW Post 845. Pastor Mark Moore of the Thorndale United Methodist Church gave a blessing. Chief Elias gave opening remarks and introduced Caln Township Board of Commissioners President John Contento. Caln Township Commissioners Cynthia Eshleman, Joshua Young and Lorraine Tindaro spoke as well. Our next speakers included Chester County District Attorney Thomas Hogan, State Senator John Rafferty, State Representative Harry Lewis and Maegan Staats of the Chester County Crime Victim's Center. Senator Rafferty and Representative Lewis presented Chief Elias with a Pennsylvania Senate Citation for our tremendous success with National Night Out in 2014, which resulted in Rookie of the Year honors by the National Association of Town Watch.

Our main speaker was Sherry Davis. Sherry's world was shattered in July of 2012 when she learned her son, 29 year old Alex Davis, was shot and killed in his car in neighboring City of Coatesville, Chester County, PA. Alex's homicide remains unsolved. Sherry reached out to the Crime Victim's Center of Chester County for help dealing with the loss of her son. Sherry has organized various community events to raise awareness for gun violence and how it can impact the victims and their families. Sherry also speaks about the Crime Victim's Center and how it has provided tremendous support following her tragic loss. Sherry was a very powerful speaker at our National Night Out. We are overwhelmed by her courage, and proud of her for being able to share her story and stand up to gun violence.

At the conclusion of the final speech, Chief Martinez of the West Caln Police Department along with his K-9 partner Bouc, completed a K-9 Demo. Officer Brandon Rhone of the Coatesville School District Police Department, volunteered to run from Bouc for the second year in a row. The demo is a huge hit with our crowd.

At 7:00PM our 2nd annual Caln Township NNO 5k Run lined up. The run included a 5k race as well as a one mile fun walk. Our 5k run had a huge turnout this year. The Chester County Running Store organized the run and fun walk. The Thorndale Volunteer Fire Department - Fire Police played a key role in keeping everyone safe by closing local roads for the race. The proceeds of the race were donated to the Crime Victim's Center of Chester County. The Police Department also presented the Crime Victim's Center of Chester County with a generous donation.

At 7:45PM the Caln Township Police Department, Thorndale Volunteer Fire Department, Minquas Ambulance crew and Fling's Towing all worked together to perform a DUI crash demo for the crowd to raise DUI awareness. Fling's Towing brought a crashed vehicle to National Night Out and positioned it into a pole. The vehicle had a volunteer driver and passenger. Lieutenant Nash of the Caln Township Police Department along with Chief John Cordisco of the Fire Department narrated to the crowd the events that were taking place before them. Sergeant Sambuco of Caln Township PD arrived on scene and checked on the occupants of the vehicle. The fire department arrived and extracted

## Caln Senior News

Caln Privileged Citizens fall season started in September, with monthly meetings held the second Wednesday of the month at 1 PM for social hour and 1:30 for meeting and speaker.

We have interesting programs and wonderful trips. Where can you go for \$35 to see a show, lunch and a bus ride? At our September meeting we held a food auction, where favorite homemade foods were sold as part of a fund raiser.

In October our guest speaker will be Lillian Lee, a MICROBIOLOGIST. Lillian is a new member and volunteered to do this program.

The next trip will be on Wednesday, October 21st to Dutch Apple Dinner Theater to see a comedy, "Church Basement Ladies: A Mighty Fortress". The bus leaves Kmart parking lot at 10:30 AM.

On Wednesday, November 18th, lunch and a show is at Bird In Hand Restaurant to see "Josiah for President" which is a musical. The bus leaves Kmart parking lot at 10:30 AM.

Please call Joyce Smith, 610-269-3627 for reservations.

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the passenger from the vehicle using their fire apparatus, while Sergeant Sambuco field tested the driver and placed him under arrest for driving under the influence. The driver was wearing simulated intoxication goggles to make the field tests realistic. The passenger was taken from the scene by Minquas Ambulance.

Caln Township Police Department's National Night Out concluded at dusk with an amazing fireworks display by Pyrotechnic Artists. The fireworks display was enjoyed by all who attended and was an excellent end to our evening.

Our event was a huge success and had many other entities there to participate. The Caln Township Police Department had a table with interactive crime scene processing, residential and commercial security, fraud and identity theft prevention and protection, police vehicle displays, a prescription drug collection bin, balloons and items for children. The NOPE Task force, a drug abuse prevention program, had a table with give aways. Andy Rumford of Kacie's Cause returned for the second year to raise awareness for drug abuse after losing his daughter to heroin. Caln Town Watch returned for the second year to fingerprint children. The Chester County Sheriff's Department, the Pennsylvania State Police and the Coatesville School District Police brought vehicles for display. The Chester County Emergency Response Team brought their Bearcat armored vehicle, along with their tactical equipment for children to try on. The Thorndale Volunteer Fire Department brought three fire trucks for display, allowing children to walk through them, and they also had a display table to hand out emergency planning and preparedness information to residents. Members of Bikers Against Child Abuse had a display table. Father's Matter, a community based fatherhood initiative, had a display table along with a sign to have father's pledge to be positive role models to their children. Display tables also included, Caln Township Administration, Crime Victim's Center of Chester County, PECO Energy, Courtesy Chrysler w/ display vehicles, Del Toyota w/ display vehicles, PA American Water, Noel Bernard of Keller Williams, and United States Marine Corp Recruiting. McGruff the crime dog participated in our event. We also had multiple moon bounces, sand art and face painting for children, and a 12 vehicle Corvette display on Municipal Drive. Kmart donated two children's bicycles which were raffled off. Our food vendors included Dairy Queen, Rita's Water Ice, Midway Grill, and Caln Pizza & Pasta. The crowd also enjoyed the musical sound of Wag The Dog rock band.

Caln Township Police Department received \$13,869 in donations, which is a \$6,954 increase from last year. These donations came from 59 businesses. Courtesy Chrysler donated \$1,500 in gift cards. Our \$1,000 donors included PECO Energy, Del Toyota and Provident Homes. Our \$500 donors included Noel Bernard of Keller Williams, Advantage Engineers, PA American Water, SABIC Corporation, Fling's Towing and East End Auto.

Our second annual National Night Out was a huge success and we could not be prouder. The event builds a stronger relationship with our community. Our vendors and presenters could not have been happier with the event. We are excited and already looking forward to Caln Township Police Department's National Night Out 2016.



## A Message from the Highways Department

Soon, winter will be upon us, and with that snow and ice. The following are some important guidelines we would like to share with you, so that we may effectively and efficiently clear the roads:

Make sure your mailbox is erected out of the road right-of-way and securely fastened to its post. Due to the “wings” on the plows, it requires approximately 3 feet of clearance from the edge of the road to completely clear the road surface. Since mailboxes tend to be very close to the paving, the weight of the plowed snow as it comes to rest off the pavement can be damaging. It is the Township’s policy not to replace mailboxes that are hit by the weight of the snow coming off the plow.

Please wait until the snow plow comes down your street before shoveling your driveway. Also, when clearing your driveway, do not plow or shovel snow into the street. After the initial plowing, it is often necessary for the plow to return to widen the path. This provides an area to plow additional snow should another storm arrive prior to the melting period.

Do not park your car on the roadway, especially in cul-de-sacs. The equipment operators need the total area in a cul-de-sac to maneuver equipment. Please park all vehicles in driveways, where possible. If vehicles are prohibiting plows from getting through, it will be requested that the vehicles be towed at the owner’s expense so the Highway Department can complete routes. If you are driving on the roadway and see a snowplow approaching, please SLOW DOWN and move as far to the right as possible to permit the plow to pass safely.

Basketball nets and/or backboards in streets or right-of-ways also hinder the effectiveness of the crew clearing the roads. As with mailboxes, it is not the Township’s policy to replace objects that are in the right-of-ways that may be damaged from the weight of plowed snow or a truck striking it as a result of it being too close to the roadway.

### 2015 CHESTER COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENTS RESIDENTIAL ONLY

[www.chestercountyswa.org](http://www.chestercountyswa.org)

BUSINESSES AND  
CONTRACTORS WILL  
BE RETURNED AWAY  
NO ELECTRONICS WILL  
BE ACCEPTED

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## Did You Know?

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# Caln Township Park and Recreation

## Upcoming Events



### HALLOWEEN PARADE

*Saturday, October 24th at 11:30 AM*

*Rain Date: Sunday, October 25th at 1 PM*

Join the Park and Recreation Board for its annual Halloween Parade in Municipal Park. Children come in costume and parade through the park. Prizes will be awarded to the three best costumes in each age group.

Ages groups are: 0 to 3, 4 to 5, 6 to 7 and 8 and older.

**Location:** Municipal Park

### CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY

**Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM**

Join the Park and Recreation Board for its Annual Children's Holiday Party. There will be entertainment, and a visit from Santa.

**Location:** Thorndale Fire Company

### CALN TOWNSHIP ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

**Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM**

Join the Caln Township Commissioners as they kick off the holiday season with their annual tree lighting ceremony.

**Location:** Caln Township Municipal Building

**For More information on any program contact Caln Township at  
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# FLOODPLAIN AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

## **STORM WATER & FLOOD PLAIN INQUIRIES**

In our efforts to track and document floodplain and stormwater items and inquiries, the Township has created two additional email addresses for the public's use, one for floodplain items/inquiries and another for stormwater items/inquiries. For any inquiry, potential violation, or any other item associated with the Township's floodplain, please send an email to [floodplain@calntownship.org](mailto:floodplain@calntownship.org). For any pollution event, potential violation, possible illegal discharge into the stormwater system, or any other item associated with the Township's storm sewer system, please send an email to [ms4@calntownship.org](mailto:ms4@calntownship.org).

The Township's various permit and program requirements have mandated reporting and tracking criteria that can be better administered by utilizing these addresses. Both of these email addresses are automatically forwarded to the Township Engineer for his review and action as applicable. Residents and property owners are encouraged to contact the Township Engineer, Mr. Jeffrey W. McClintock, PE, CFM, to discuss any stormwater or floodplain item. He can be reached at (610) 384-0600 or [engineer@calntownship.org](mailto:engineer@calntownship.org).

## **ACT 167 STORM WATER MANAGEMENT**

Caln Township has required storm water management since the late 1970's. In March 2003 the Township's Board of Commissioners passed a comprehensive storm water management ordinance revision that was aimed at, among other things, reducing erosion, reducing flooding, improving water quality, and protecting natural resources. With the adoption of the County-wide Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan, the Township was mandated to adopt a new stormwater management ordinance consistent with the County's plan.

In watersheds with approved PA Act 167 plans, any individuals or entities involved with altering the stormwater runoff characteristics from the land within the watershed are required to implement measures to manage the quantity, velocity and direction of stormwater runoff in a manner that adequately protects the health of the public and property from possible damage. On December 19, 2013, the Board of Commissioners adopted the new stormwater ordinance that complies with the Act 167 requirements. Something as small as a patio or a building addition may be required to have stormwater management installed as part of the project. Regardless of the size and scope of the project, each building and/or zoning permit application will need to be accompanied by a completed Impervious Coverage Worksheet for review. This form is included with all building permit and zoning permit applications. Those property owners looking to perform construction work should consult with the Township Engineer, Mr. Jeffrey W. McClintock, PE, CFM, prior to finalizing said construction plans. He can be reached at (610) 384-0600 or [engineer@calntownship.org](mailto:engineer@calntownship.org).

## **ILLICIT DISCHARGE DETECTION & ELIMINATION FOR STORMWATER**

The Township prohibits non-stormwater discharge to enter the municipal separate storm sewer system and the Waters of the Commonwealth. The following discharges are authorized unless they are determined by the Township to be significant contributors to pollution of the Township's separate storm sewer system or to the Waters of the Commonwealth: discharges from firefighting activities, potable water sources (including water line and hydrant flushing), irrigation drainage, air conditioning condensate, springs, water from crawl space pumps, Pavement wash waters where spills or leaks of toxic or hazardous materials have not occurred (unless all spill material has been removed) and where detergents are not used, diverted stream flows, flows from riparian habitats and wetlands, uncontaminated water from foundations or from footing drains, lawn watering, dechlorinated swimming pool discharges, uncontaminated groundwater, water from individual residential car washing, and routine external building wash-down (which does not use detergents or other compounds).

In the event that the Township determines that any of these discharges significantly contribute pollutants to the Township's separate storm sewer system or to the Waters of the Commonwealth, or is notified of such significant contribution of pollution by PADEP, the Township will notify the responsible person to cease the discharge. Upon notice provided by the Township, the discharger shall, within a reasonable time period, as determined by the Municipality consistent with the degree of pollution caused by the discharge, cease the discharge.

Lastly, the Township also prohibits any private connections to the separate storm sewer system from indoor drains and sinks. Roof drain, sump pump, foundation and footing drain discharges, to the maximum extent practicable, shall discharge to infiltration or vegetative areas, or to other areas with adequate capacity to assist in the reduction of pollution prior

to the runoff draining to our waterways. In the event you notice an illicit discharge to the Township's storm system and/or the waterways of the Township, please contact Jeffrey W. McClintock, PE, CFM, Township Engineer, to report the discharge. He can be reached at (610) 384-0600 or [ms4@calntownship.org](mailto:ms4@calntownship.org).

## ENGINEERING

### CAPITAL PROJECTS

The **Fisherville Road Slope Repair Project** realigned an unnamed tributary to Beaver Creek in an effort to stabilize the road embankment at a cost of \$91,602.17. This project included the realignment of the stream, installation of a gabion basket wall, and replacement of trees along the stream bank. This project was completed earlier this summer and was funded 100% by the Township's Liquid Fuel Fund.

The **Williams Way Culvert Replacement Project** replaced a storm pipe running under Williams Way East at a cost of \$97,300.00. This project was necessary given the pipe had deteriorated beyond repair and Pennsylvania American Water was replacing their waterline in this vicinity. This project included stream maintenance, pipe replacement, sidewalk/curb replacement and road restoration. This project is being funded 100% by the Township's Liquid Fuel Fund.

The **2015 Caln Township Traffic Signal Improvement Project** will provide three CCTV traffic cameras along Lincoln Highway and modify the northwest corner's curb line of the Bondsville Road/GO Carlson Boulevard Intersection at a cost of \$155,180.00. This project includes curb relocation, traffic signal relocation, pavement restoration, and the installation of CCTV cameras. This project is being funded with 75% from the Township's Bond Fund and 25% from state grant monies.

The **G.O. Carlson Boulevard East Pavement Project** is the installation of underdrain piping and pavement repair for GO Carlson Boulevard, on the eastern section from Lloyd Avenue to Hidden Creek Drive, at a cost of \$497,189.22. This project includes the installation of 6,350 lineal feet of piping and the repair of 38 locations along the roadway that have deteriorated pavement. This project is being funded 100% by the Township's Bond Fund.

The **Humpton Road Widening Project** is the improvements to Humpton Road to allow for a 24-foot wide roadway from Municipal Drive to a distance of 2,750 feet to the east at a cost of \$198,438.37. This project includes the installation of some additional pavement, the relocation of mailboxes and the regrading of lawn areas to accommodate the widening. This project is being funded 100% by the Township's Bond Fund.

Overall, the Township has 5 major capital projects valued at \$1.04M for the 2015 year. These projects, in conjunction with Pennsylvania American Water's waterline replacement work, will also help to repave over 4 miles of Township roadways in 2015. If you have any questions about the capital projects, you can contact the Township Engineer, Mr. Jeffrey W. McClintock, PE, CFM. He can be reached at (610) 384-0600 or [engineer@calntownship.org](mailto:engineer@calntownship.org).

### 2015 ADA TRANSITION PROJECT

Pennsylvania American Water will be continuing their waterline replacement work on various streets in the Township. The following streets will receive new water mains and be resurfaced as part of this project: Sylvan Drive, Edge Lane, Windsor Lane, Municipal Drive, portions of Norma Drive and portions of North Bailey Road.

With Pennsylvania American Water replacing waterlines on various streets in the Township, Township crews have been working on a number of tasks along these streets from adjusting sewer manholes, making improvements to storm water inlets and repairing sections of deteriorated roadway. In conjunction with this work the Township Board made a decision to install curb cuts on the various streets as a phased approach to implementing ADA accessible curb ramps on the various streets that currently do not have ramps. You will notice the removal of a short section of the curb and it being replaced with a depressed curb in the various locations in an effort to bring our facilities into compliance with Federal law. Given the number of curb cuts needed to be installed, we are only doing the curb cuts at the moment, with the actual sidewalk ramps and tie-ins to follow in the future as part of another project. We have completed approximately 40 of the 50 ramps by the end of August. If you have any questions about the ADA accessible ramp transition project, you can contact the Township Engineer, Mr. Jeffrey W. McClintock, PE, CFM. He can be reached at (610) 384-0600 or [engineer@calntownship.org](mailto:engineer@calntownship.org).



## ReadyChesCo Notification System

### GENERATOR SAFETY TIPS

Downed utility lines, power company blackouts, heavy snow falls or summer storms can all lead to power outages. Many people turn to a portable generator for a temporary solution without knowing the risks.

- Generators should be operated in well ventilated locations outdoors away from all doors, windows and vent openings.
- Never use a generator in an attached garage, even with the door open. Place generators so that exhaust fumes can't enter the home through windows, doors or other openings in the building.
- Make sure to install carbon monoxide (CO) alarms in your home. Follow manufacturer's instructions for correct placement and mounting height.
- Turn off generators and let them cool down before refuelling. Never refuel a generator while it is running.
- Store fuel for the generator in a container that is intended for the purpose and is correctly labelled as such. Store the containers outside of living areas.

#### **Just remember...**

When plugging in appliances, make sure they are plugged directly into the generator or a heavy duty outdoor-rated extension cord. The cords should be checked for cuts, tears and that the plug has all three prongs, especially a grounding pin.

If you must connect the generator to the house wiring to power appliances, have a qualified electrician install a properly rated transfer switch in accordance with the National Electrical Code (NEC) and all applicable state and local electrical codes.

Caln Township Fire Marshal  
rstackhouse@calntownship.org

Chester County Board of Commissioners has announced that the Department of Emergency Services has launched a new mass notification system called ReadyChesCo.

ReadyChesCo replaces ReadyNotifyPA and allows subscribers to register to receive emergency and non-emergency alerts for the community. The new system, powered by Everbridge, incorporates greater technological capabilities and flexibility. The Department of Emergency Services will be able to contact thousands of residents and business in seconds, when seconds matter.

ReadyChesCo's flexibility means residents can choose to receive the type of information they want to receive and can note any special needs information that may be useful for emergency responders. Specific municipality information - notifications and news for residents' local community - can also be chosen by the subscriber.

An advantage of ReadyChesCo is the option of adding more than one way to receive notifications. Residents can choose to have their cell phone, home phone, office phone, and several email addresses receive notifications. Subscribers can also receive messages for more than one address. For places you care about; home, work, parents, schools within Chester County.

Residents will be able to control what device or email receives the messages and in what order. ReadyChesCo will send the message to the first contact path; if that contact path is not confirmed as receiving the message, ReadyChesCo will contact the next contact path and so forth until the subscriber confirms receipt of the message. ReadyChesCo also allows for Quiet Time to be set up so the subscriber is not disturbed when they don't want to be.

If you were a subscriber to ReadyNotifyPA and still wish to receive notifications, you will need to register with ReadyChesCo at [www.readychesco.org](http://www.readychesco.org) Registration only takes a few minutes.

For Technical Support contact [notificationssupport@chesco.org](mailto:notificationssupport@chesco.org) For questions about ReadyChesCo contact [ready@chesco.org](mailto:ready@chesco.org) Or call 610-344-4779.

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Raymond Stackhouse  
Superintendent of Life Safety

### Outside Burning is Illegal!

Please recycle, do not burn trash, leaves, yard waste and other items. For more information on recycling these items, check other sections of the newsletter or the township's web page.

# INGLESIDE GOLF CLUB

## FALL GOLF EVENTS

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10/30- FALL BLACK N BLUE TOURNAMENT (OPEN TO ALL) \* SIGN UP CLOSES 10/23

## 2015 MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL

- BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015 RECEIVE ALL OF 2016 AND THE REMAINING 2015 SEASON WITH NEW MEMBERSHIP SIGN UP.
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## Report a Pothole

Do you want to report a pothole or other road repair?

For state roads call 1-800 FIX ROAD or PennDOT's Chester County maintenance office at 484-340-3200.

For Caln Township call 610-384-0600 or submit a contact form from the contact section of the web site, [www.calntownship.org](http://www.calntownship.org)




Please note that most of our major roadways are state maintained including Bypass 30, Business 30, North Caln Road, Routes 340 and 322, Embreeville Road, Edges Mill Road, Blackhorse Hill Road, Marshallton Thorndale Road, Olive Street, Rock Raymond Road and Bondsville Road.


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## Caln Police News

As in years past, the Caln Township Police Department provided security at the annual Strawberry Festival. Despite the record breaking crowds the CTPD, with the assistance of the Thorndale Volunteer Fire Department and Fire Police, provided a safe environment for families and attendees to enjoy the event. For the second year in a row, the Police Department handed out balloons and other giveaways for children and their families, including free raffles which were held each of the 4 days. This year's theme was "Stranger Danger" – "Run, Yell, and Call 911". Special thanks to Police Administrative Assistant Lori Daniels for organizing another great public relations campaign. State Representative Harry Lewis & his staff, as well as Commissioners Contento and Eshleman, Sergeant Barry Beach (retired), helped staff the booth along with Caln Police Officers who conducted foot and bike patrols throughout the event.



In the aftermath of incidents in Ferguson, MO and Baltimore, MD, and the impact they've had on the current national climate as it relates to police and community relations, a public forum was held in Coatesville on June 18, 2015, to discuss ways that the police and residents can work together in an effort to mitigate the possibility of a similar tragic incident occurring in the greater Coatesville Area. The event was organized by Caln Township residents Elwood Dixon, John Robinson and Nate Alston, and attended by community members, religious and elected officials. Caln Police Chief Joseph Elias and police chiefs from Coatesville, South Coatesville and Valley Township comprised the law enforcement panel and addressed questions and concerns from those in attendance. The evening was a great success.

During the past 2 years, the Police Department has seen a dramatic increase in Fraud and Identity Theft related crimes. Many scams are targeted at the elderly and involve lottery, IRS & grandparent scams. Unfortunately, we've seen some residents conned out of thousands of dollars. On April 30, 2015 Caln Township hosted a workshop sponsored by State Representative Lewis's office to help residents protect themselves from becoming a victim. Representatives from the State Attorney General's Office and the Chester County District Attorney's Office joined Caln Police Chief Joseph Elias in providing information to assist our residents in ways to protect themselves and how to obtain assistance if they may have fallen victim to one of these crimes. If you were unable to attend the workshop, a power point presentation and related materials can be found at the Police Department link on the township website entitled "Beware of Scams and Con Artists". If you would like additional information, please contact the Police Department at 610-383-1821.



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**Caln 2** – Coatesville Area High School, 1445 E. Lincoln Highway, Coatesville, PA – Residents West of N. Caln Rd.

**Caln 3** – Caln Elementary School, 3609 Lincoln Highway, Coatesville, PA – Residents East of N. Caln Rd. and West of N. Bailey Rd. and South of Lincoln Highway from S. Caln Road down to Lloyd Ave.

**Caln 4** – Wedgwood Community Center – 38 Nancy Lane – Residents East side of Bondsville Rd. (Rt. 340) and North of Rt. 30.

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