





## Mark Your Calendar

November 16
Board of
Commissioners
Meeting
7:30 PM

November 23 and 24
Township Offices
Closed for
Thanksgiving

December 3
Township Tree
Lighting
5:00 PM
Municipal Building

December 5
OCHS Candlelight
Christmas
6:30 PM

December 9
Fire Company's
Santa Detail
(Dec. 16 rain date)

## Caln Township Tree Lighting







SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 AT 5:00 PM

CALN MUNICIPAL BUILDING
253 MUNICIPAL DRIVE, THORNDALE

- Hexagonal Schoolhouse Tours -Caln Historical Commission
- Refreshments Rotary Club of Thorndale-Downingtown
- Caroling Coatesville High School Meistersingers
- Bon Fire with S'mores
- and a special visit from Santa! (Thanks to the Thorndale Fire Company)

Collecting new pajamas for foster kids - infant through adult sizes for Fostering Hope Chester County



## **New Township Manager**

Welcome to our new Township Manager!
The Caln Township Board of Commissioners has appointed Don Vymazal as the new Township Manager.
Vymazal, who was previously the Township Manager of Upper Providence Township in Delaware County, was selected to fill the position after a months-long search. He will direct all executive township functions, including

supervision of the Police, Public Works, Finance, Building and Life Safety, and Administration departments, as well as Ingleside Golf Course. Vymazal's first day at Caln will be on December 4th.

"After an extensive search for a new Township Manager, out of a long list of highly qualified candidates, this Board feels that we have chosen the right person to ensure our future success," said Paul Mullin, President of the Board of Commissioners. "His professionalism, experience, and knowledge of local and state government made this an easy decision. The Commissioners and our staff look forward to having him come on board!"

"I am honored and extremely grateful to continue my public service career as Township Manager for Caln Township. I'm committed to continuing the exciting efforts of the township, and I am eager to take on new projects in the interest of the long-term success of this fantastic community," stated Vymazal. Prior to joining Upper Providence Township, Vymazal spent 17 years working in the Pennsylvania State Senate for multiple state senators. In addition to serving as Chief of Staff and managing constituent services, Vymazal liaised extensively with local governments, and he developed an interest in serving at the municipal level. He has an MA in public administration and a bachelor's degree in history. He and his new wife, Jess, have recently moved to Caln Township. "Our township is a special place with a great number of unique opportunities on the horizon. I look forward to working with the Board of Commissioners, Caln Township staff, and the entire community as a partner in the ongoing success of Caln Township," concluded Vymazal.



The Caln Township Police Department will once again be collecting toys for the Marine Toys for Tots! The collection will take place from now through December 6th. Toys must be new, properly sealed in the original packaging, and unwrapped. You can drop donations off at the police station Monday through Friday between 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM. Thank you for supporting this great cause!



## It's time again for the Caln Township Parks and Recreation Holiday Decorating Contest!

All township residents and businesses are invited to apply - participation is FREE. Judging will take place December 13th. Winners will receive a gift card prize from Hatt's True Value.

Visit <a href="www.CalnTownship.org">www.CalnTownship.org</a> for details and to register for the contest by Friday, December 12.

For more information call 610-384-0600 x148 or email aswan@calntownship.org



As you break out the lights for your holiday decorating, remember that old, broken light strings do NOT belong in your recycling cart! There are repair kits you can get to help you diagnose and replace problem bulbs. But if your string of lights is beyond help, please make sure to put it in the regular trash so that it doesn't get tangled in recycling machinery.



Thank you to our veterans! This photo shows a group of WWI National Guardsmen (Company F, First Pennsylvania Infantry) stationed here in Caln to guard the Thorndale Coal Wharf from sabotage. You can see the Coal Wharf in the back left of the photo. A local woman, Mrs. Bertie McComsey was paid 25 cents per meal to feed the soldiers.





Photo credit: Liz von Baldas

58 Thorndale, Chester County homes made safer! On Saturday, November 4, volunteers from the Red Cross and the Thorndale Fire Company installed 107 smoke alarms and provided fire safety education to 121 people in Caln's Brandywine Homes and Barley Sheaf Farms neighborhoods! Thank you to all who helped! Visit <a href="http://soundthealarm.org/philly">http://soundthealarm.org/philly</a> to learn more about this project.





Traveling for the holidays? Caln Police Department offers a Vacation Check service for our residents. Fill out a simple form and the police will keep an eye on your home while you're away.

For more information, call 610-383-1821 or email policeadministration@calntownship. org.

The form can be downloaded from <a href="https://www.calntownship.org/community-programs">www.calntownship.org/community-programs</a> or you can pick one up at the police station.