

The Spring Echo

FALL 2017

FALL BRUSH COLLECTION ~ WEEK OF OCTOBER 9th

Spring Township will be having its Fall Brush Collection starting Monday, October 9, 2017, weather permitting. They will go over each street **ONE TIME ONLY**. If you wish to have your brush picked up, please follow these instructions:

- ✓ All limbs must be placed along the curb, **parallel to the road**, so that they are easily visible and accessible.
- ✓ Limbs must be cut to be able to be fed into the chipper. Limbs larger than 4 inches in diameter will not be collected.
- ✓ All limbs must be placed out prior to 7:00 a.m. Monday morning, October 9, 2017, so that you are not missed. Once the Road Crew has gone over a street, they will not go back.
- ✓ **Do not include any thorn bushes or vines as these cannot be fed through the chipper!**
- ✓ No more than one load of brush will be accepted per household. This collection is for trimming of bushes and trees, not for tree removal or site clearing.

It is important that these instructions are followed to ensure the safety of our Road Crew and proper operation and care of our equipment. IF THESE INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT FOLLOWED YOUR BRUSH WILL NOT BE PICKED UP!!! LEAF COLLECTION will follow immediately after brush collection and continue until all leaves are picked up or the snow flies! If you have any additional questions, please feel free to call the office at (814) 355-7543 ext. 102. Thank you!

From The Township Zoning Office
By Vaughn Zimmerman

Dear Township Residents,

As Fall fast approaches, you may be thinking about projects that you still need to do before winter sets in. I would like to remind you that most projects do require zoning permits and building permits, so please do not forget to take care of this before you begin your project. If you have any questions as to whether your project requires a permit or you wish to know what the zoning fee will be, please contact me at your convenience. Most zoning permit fees are \$50 or less, although larger projects such as building a new house may be more.

We are now into the fifth year of the Township's sewage management program, a program the Township is required to do by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources. This program requires septic systems and other non-sewer disposal systems to be pumped and inspected. Many of our residents who need to have this done this year have already done so, but there are still a few properties out there that have not responded to the Township mailings. If you own one of these properties, please send in your materials as soon as possible so that your septic system may be inspected.

If you have any questions about these or any other issues, please contact me at (814) 355-5067 ext. 104 or email at code@springtownship.org.



From the Police Department Chief Michael Danneker

OCTOBER IS NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION MONTH

Each year, communities across the country celebrate October as Crime Prevention Month. A great way to help keep your community safe is by taking part in Crime Prevention Month. The actions of community members are extremely important to preventing crime, and law enforcement agencies can offer the help community members need to make a difference. Preventing crime involves not only making sure that our homes are secure and that we take precautions to be safe, it also means working with law enforcement to look out for the safety of our neighbors and other community members. We believe that decreasing crime and making our communities safer requires a return to the values that we must all take responsibilities for our families and our neighborhoods. The following are resources to help you get started on helping your community:

- **Conflict Resolution**

Information on controlling anger intended to promote nonviolence and diplomacy

Are people fighting more these days, or does it just seem that way? Whatever the case, learning to resolve conflicts can help young people break down barriers, become leaders, and even prevent deadly confrontations. Read more <http://www.ncpc.org/topics/conflict-resolution>

- **Home & Neighborhood Safety**

Crime prevention and personal safety tips to help keep you and your community safe from crime

In these times of economic distress, many people are concerned about the threat of rising crime in their communities. Fortunately, there are ways to help protect your home and your neighborhood from crime. From simple steps like keeping your doors locked to starting a Neighborhood Watch Program, there are plenty of things you can do to prevent crime. Read more <http://www.ncpc.org/topics/home-and-neighborhood-safety>

- **Workplace Safety**

Take crime prevention to work

Many people spend a good portion of their time at work. This means it's just as important to use crime prevention skills in the workplace as it is at home and in the neighborhood. Whether the place of business is a corporate headquarters, a restaurant, a store, an auto repair shop, or a person's home, common-sense prevention skills can make the workday safer for everyone. Read more <http://www.ncpc.org/topics/workplace-safety>

- **Crimes Against Seniors**

The National Crime Prevention Council is working to design, implement, promote, and evaluate a strategic approach to prevent telemarketing fraud and related crimes against seniors by promoting awareness and action on preventive strategies by senior consumers, law enforcement, and other community resources. Read more <http://www.ncpc.org/topics/crime-against-seniors>

Source: National Crime Prevention Council

Please check our Facebook page for future posts on safety tips.



Spring Township will be having
Trick or Treat on Tuesday,
October 31, 2017
from 6-8 PM

Please do your part to make this a safe and fun time for everyone!

- *Travel on well-lit streets and only go to homes with their porch light on.
- *Small children should be accompanied by an adult and older children should go in groups!! Never let a child go alone!!
- *Please be sure to choose costumes that don't interfere with your child's ability to see or walk properly!
- *Have children carry a flashlight or glow stick to make them more visible.
- *Check all candy to make sure there is no evidence of tampering.





WATER AUTHORITY

By Molly Baird

ATTENTION WATER AUTHORITY CUSTOMERS – If you have automatic payments set up through your bank, please be sure you have provided your bank with your correct account number. We still have customers that continue to use their “old” account numbers which makes it very difficult when posting payments, especially for those customers who rent and their names are not on the account.

Customers also need to be careful when paying their bills on line!! You need to make sure you are on the correct website. For your water bills it is: www.springtownship.org along the left side click on **WATER**. We have had several customers pay their sewer bills on our website and deposit into their water account. If this happens **WE CANNOT** issue a refund for this! If you pay more than is due or pay your sewer amount to your water account your account will be credited **BUT** not refunded, so please be careful what site you are on.

HELPFUL WATER INFORMATION

- Experiencing low water pressure – Could be due to pressure reducer needing adjusted and/or replaced, especially if no one else is experiencing the issues.
- Water Hardness – 8.76 grains.
- No fluoride – Water is treated with chlorine only.
- Billing cycles – January, April, July & October.
- Landlords/Tenants – We invoice property owners only! Landlords need to get invoices to their tenants in a timely fashion if expecting the tenant to pay.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO “USE WATER WISELY!”

****THE SAFEST CITIES IN PENNSYLVANIA 2017**** **SPRING TOWNSHIP RANKED NO. 4!!**

Pennsylvania has some of the safest cities in the country and look who checked in at number four in the entire state of Pennsylvania!! With a population of 7,612 people, Spring Township only had One Violent Crime reported and 23 property Crimes making Spring Township, Centre County as a very safe place to live. Much of our reported crime comes from internet or phone scams, theft of credit card or identity theft which is all generated from outside our area. We must all remain vigilant. For a crime to occur, just two things need to happen; Someone has the desire to commit the crime and they are given the opportunity to commit it. Your job is to reduce the opportunity by practicing good crime prevention tips. We know there will always be someone out there with the desire to take what you got.

The Supervisors and Staff of Spring Township are proud to be ranked as one of the safest cities in Pennsylvania and would like to thank **YOU** the residents as well as our Police Department in helping make Spring Township a safe place to live, work and enjoy raising a family.

NEW PHONE SYSTEM

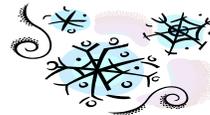
Our phone system has recently been upgraded and now requires 3 digit extension numbers.

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Spring Township Offices will be closed on the following days:

November 10, 23, 24 ~ December 22, 26 ~ January 1, 2018

Mission Statement

Our Mission is to create, nurture and maintain an environment of growth, challenge, and unlimited potential for all those around us.

Goal

Our Goal is to leave this world a better place to live, work, learn, grow, and have fun!

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