



EAST PIKELAND TOWNSHIP



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Hours: Monday - Friday / 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. • www.eastpikeland.org • Phone: 610.933.1770 - Fax: 610.933.0919

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Ronald M. Graham - Chairman
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TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION

Kimberly Moretti - Manager
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EAST PIKELAND TWP. POLICE DEPT.

610.935.0606

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Al Cushman - Director

FREE Movie Night at Kimberton Park



Saturday,
September 24, 2016

Featuring: ZOOTOPIA

Event Begins at 7:00 pm
Movie Begins at Dusk

Snacks & Drinks will be
available for purchase



ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE:

Rapps Dam Road between Route 23 and Camp Council Road AND **Mowere Road** between Route 23 and Township Line Road are closed for redesign and reconstruction as part of the intersection improvements associated with the 400 Westside land development project. Detour signs are clearly posted. The Rapps Dam Covered Bridge will remain open and can be accessed from Camp Council Road. **Both roads will remain closed through October.**

Attention All East Pikeland Resident Ghosts & Goblins! Halloween Home Decoration Competition!

"If You've Got it, Haunt it!" Decorate your home, front door/porch, garden/yard to compete for top honors in this year's Halloween Decoration Competition! *(Residential only, no commercial, please.)*

Judging will begin on October 20th and continue through October 29th.
Winner(s) announced after Halloween on Township website.

Ghoul Luck to All!



ANNUAL HISTORIC WALKING TOUR – “Mid-Century Modern in Middle Pickering” THURSDAY AUGUST 18TH

The East Pikeland Township Historical Commission, along with the Pikeland Historic Society, will be sponsoring their annual historic walking tour in conjunction with the Chester County Town Tours & Village Walks program Thursday, August 18th.

The featured site will be the Middle Pickering Historic District in the Village of Merlin along Pickering Creek. The Village of Merlin was an important crossroads for industry and agriculture in the 18th and 19th centuries. Oscar Stonorov, architect and Ed Bacon, urban planner, made their homes in this area, bringing progressive modernism to the Village. The tour begins at the Stonorov residence with the history of the family in architecture and education, and then follows Pickering Creek back in time to end at the Merlin crossroads.

Parking for the tour will be available at the Stonorov property at 1880 Pickering Road (the intersection of Pickering and Lincoln Roads). Tours will begin at 5:30 pm; last tour will leave at 7 pm. No reservations are required. Find more information on these summer tours at: <http://www.chesco.org/planning/towntours>.



**Bald Eagle along the
French Creek Trail, 2016.**

Photo courtesy of Kristin Dempsey

EAC Seeks New Volunteers

The East Pikeland Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) is seeking residents who are interested in the environment to serve on the EAC. There are currently six active members of the EAC and one vacancy. The EAC advises the Board of Supervisors on environmental issues and policies. They review subdivision/land development applications relative to environmental impact and clean-up issues. Special projects include assisting in compliance with statewide stormwater regulations, research for a possible township-wide trash hauler proposal, advising on electronic recycling regulations, and interacting with the EPA on the Kimberton Superfund Site.

EAC meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of each month at 7pm. Meetings are open to the public. Anyone interested in EAC activities is welcome to attend.

Residents interested in volunteering should complete a Volunteer Position Form, found on the eastpikeland.org website under: Boards and Personnel, Volunteer Opportunities.



East Pikeland Township Yard Waste Recycling Center

****There is a Burning Ban Ordinance in East Pikeland Township - Recycle your Yard Waste ****

Location A - YARD OPEN DAILY - 7am to Dusk - Leaves & Grass Clippings ONLY

Location B - YARD OPEN Monday thru Friday - 7am - 3pm & SATURDAYS - 9am - 1pm

Branches, Brush, Tree Trimmings, Ornamental Grass, Garden Waste, and Weeds. *Branches should NOT be over 6 inches in diameter. Logs, lumber, paneling, or pressure treated wood are NOT accepted.*

Compost and Mulch - \$5.00 Fee (Cash Only) charged for loading mulch and compost into Residential or Commercial vehicles. Residents may load their own vehicles at No Charge. Call 610-933-1770 to Place a Delivery Order- \$50.00 per truckload (approx. 2 ½ yards of material)



<p>Electronic Recycling Event Recycle 3 electronic items (per vehicle) for FREE</p>	<p>Through December 2016</p>	<p>Lanchester Landfill 7224 Division Hwy, Narvon, PA 17555</p>	<p>TV, Computer, Electronics, Appliances: Items must be intact (not dis-assembled). Residents must be able to unload items.</p>
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<p>Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events*</p>	<p>Sat., Sept. 10 9AM to 3PM Oxford School District Administration Bldg. 125 Bell Tower Lane Oxford, PA</p>	<p>Sat., Oct. 8 9AM to 3PM Government Services Center 610 Westtown Road West Chester, PA</p>	<p>* For a list of items accepted at this event, go to: www.chestercswa.org/DocumentCenter/View/1475</p>
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2016 Yard Waste Pick-Up Dates By Trash Haulers



Advanced Disposal

Saturday, October 22, 2016
Saturday, November 12, 2016
Saturday, December 10, 2016

A.J. Blosenski

Saturday, October 15, 2016
Saturday, November 12, 2016
Saturday, December 17, 2016

Phoenix Disposal

Contact Hauler for Date

Diamond Waste

Wednesday, October 26, 2016
Wednesday, November 2, 2016
Wednesday, November 9, 2016

Republic Services

Contact Hauler for Dates

Waste Management

Thursday, October 13, 2016
Thursday, November 10, 2016
Thursday, December 8, 2016

**Please do not put yard waste out for trash pick-up.
Haulers should not accept yard waste on regular pick up days and can face penalties if they do.**

2016 Discount Amusement Park Tickets

Adventure Aquarium

Valid to 9/22/16

- Adult (13 & over) \$20.00 (\$8.84 savings)
- Child (2-12) \$16.00 (\$5.35 savings)

Crayola Experience

Valid to 5/3/2017

- General (age 2 and over) \$17.00 (\$3.99 savings)

Dorney Park

Valid 2016 Season (not open on 9/10)

- Adult (over 48") & Jr. (3+, under 48") \$45.00 (\$12.75 savings)
- Sr. (Age 62+) \$44.00 (\$13.75 savings)

Dutch Wonderland

Valid to 10/8/2016

- Regular (age 3-59) \$34.00 (\$8.56 savings)

Elmwood Park Zoo

Valid for One Year

- General (age 3 & up) \$10.00 (\$4.95 savings)

Hershey Park

Valid to 9/5 and weekends until 9/25

- Adult (9-54) \$49.00 (\$14.80 savings)
- Child (3-8) & Senior (55-69) \$38.00 (\$2.80 savings)

Knoebels

Valid to 9/2/2016 (good Mon-Fri only)

- Weekday (over 48") \$34.00 (\$5.00 savings)
- Weekday (under 48") \$20.00 (\$5.00 savings)

Philadelphia Zoo

Valid to 12/30/2017

- General (age 2 and over) \$18.00 (\$5.00 savings)

Sesame Place

Valid to 9/5/2016

- Summer Single Day 6/20-9/5 \$54.00 (\$15.55 savings)

Six Flags Great Adventure

Valid to 12/31/2016

- Regular (3+) Theme Park \$40.00 (\$37.03 savings)
- Hurricane Harbor Water Park \$31.00 (\$13.99 savings) (Seasonal)

[CASH OR CHECK ONLY]



Kimberton Park Pavilion

Reserve the pavilion for your next party or picnic!

The pavilion holds six 6-foot picnic tables and will accommodate 35-40 people.

Also available to rent are the tennis courts, basketball courts, and roller hockey court.

The Park Facilities Application can be downloaded from our website and rental fees apply to all reservations. Call the Township for availability at 610-933-1770.



Discount Movie Tickets

Regal Cinema PREMIERE Movie Tickets

Tickets are only \$9.50 (cash or check only)

Tickets are available year-round at the Township office – Call for availability.

Premiere Tickets are redeemable nationwide at any Regal Cinemas, Edward Theatres or United Artist Theatres, excluding Cayman Island locations. SURCHARGES apply to all IMAX®, RPX®, Large Format, 3D and 4DX films. Other surcharges may apply at Premium or Luxury Seating locations or select theatres. Premiere tickets never expire.



General Election Day

Tuesday, November 8th

Residents 18 years of age or older can Register to Vote by October 11. If you are voting for the first time, you must show a form of identification.

Polls are open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm on November 8th!

You can obtain a Pennsylvania Voter Registration Application at the Township office, or you can Register Online at: www.register.votesPA.com.

Absentee ballot information can be found on the Chester County Voter Services website: www.chesco.org/elections.

Township Voting Precincts:

Check your Voter's registration Card or the Voting Precinct Map on the East Pikeland Township Website if you are unsure which precinct you reside.

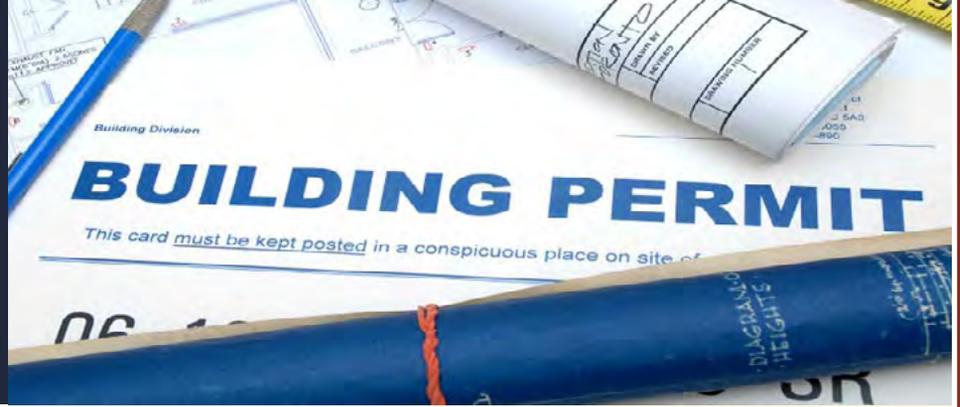
- 1st Voting Precinct - Kimberton Fire Company
- 2nd Voting Precinct - Zion Lutheran Church
- 3rd Voting Precinct - Atria Woodbridge Place



Welcome to the Neighborhood!

Like it or not, we are *all* neighbors – and with good neighborly relations, we can live more safely, comfortably, sociably and happily. We all remember a time when we lived on a small street or in a close-knit community where everybody knew everybody. We looked after each other's kids, sometimes shared potluck suppers, picked up each other's newspaper or mail, and even loaned each other tools (despite those with irresponsible borrowing habits). Good neighbors share so many things, from witty conversations to vegetables from the garden. New neighbors were once greeted by the welcome wagon with a homemade apple pie, and who could resist the array of food at the annual block party. Well, over the years, the diversity of our neighborhoods has changed, but the definition of *neighbor* has not. With the hustle and bustle of life, unconventional work schedules or just circumstances beyond our control, the people next door may not remove their cans from the curb before nightfall; not everyone cuts their grass on Saturday, and it may come as a surprise that no one's children are perfect. So before you get angry and decide to confront that "idiot", consider having a friendly conversation with that guy or gal next door (or down the street). Maybe next time you're mowing the lawn and they're outside washing the car, take a moment to say "hey neighbor", which can lead into "by the way...", or "I've been meaning to talk to you about...". You may find that an open line of communication can resolve most concerns. Being a good neighbor is a positive reinforcement for a strong community!

The A-B-C's of Building, Code Enforcement & Zoning



Accessory Structures

Garden and storage sheds (under 500 sf), gazebos and pergolas require a Zoning Permit, and must be setback 15' from the side and rear property lines. Accessory structures cannot be located in the front yard. Sheds over 500 sf, detached garages, barns and other large accessory structures require a Building Permit and must be setback a minimum distance equal to the height of the structure, but not less than 15' from the property line.



Building Permits

Building and zoning permits are required for all construction and most renovation projects. If the project is structural or involves plumbing, electrical or mechanical work, you must obtain a permit. A permit is not needed to re-shingle your roof, or to replace siding, windows and doors. *Historic structures, and properties located within the Historic District require prior review for any exterior modifications.*

Fences

No...a permit is not required to erect a fence. YES, a fence can be placed on the property line, but we recommend it be at least a mower's width in so that it can be maintained without trespassing onto the neighboring property. The maximum fence height allowed is 6 feet. If you have a corner lot, the fence cannot obstruct the line of sight for motorists at the intersection.



Outdoor Maintenance

Grass, shrubbery and outdoor plantings require continued maintenance. Grass and weeds in excess of 12" violates the property maintenance code (natural meadows, cultivated flowers and gardens are excluded from this provision). Shrubs and tree limbs should be trimmed back from the sidewalk and the street to ensure pedestrian and vehicle safety. Be courteous to your neighbors by making sure your plantings don't obstruct visibility for safe exiting of their driveway.



- Mowing, or blowing of grass clippings, leaves and yard debris into the street is PROHIBITED under Section 2326 of The Second Class Township Code (obstructions and nuisances on public roadways). Not only does this create a nuisance, it clogs storm drains and creates slippery conditions when it rains. The chute of your mower or tractor should face the yard when cutting near the roadway. Composting of grass clippings and leaves is encouraged! These items, along with tree limbs (less than 6" diameter) can be dropped off at the township's compost yard located behind the township building on Rapps Dam Road, free of charge!

Use and Occupancy for Residential Resale (or Rental)

East Pikeland Township does **not** require a Use & Occupancy inspection or certificate for resale of a residential property, nor do we inspect rental properties prior to occupancy. Any concerns should be addressed with the realtor or seller prior to settlement. Also be advised that landlord and tenant issues are a civil matter before the district justice, not the township.

Yard Sales do not Require a Permit

Temporary lawn signs in the neighborhood and nearest intersection may be posted a few days in advance and must be removed immediately after the sale. **Posting of notices, advertisements, or other signs upon a lamppost, electric light, telephone or other utility pole, pier or column on or along the public roads of East Pikeland Township is PROHIBITED.**



All ordinances, forms and permit applications can be found on our website at www.Eastpikeland.org



Before You Drain Your Swimming Pool... Know The Rules!

This is a friendly reminder of the proper methods for draining your swimming pool. As you know, the water in your pool is filled with chemicals; improper disposal is harmful to the environment, and it is a violation of State and local laws.

- It is illegal to drain pool (or spa) water or backwash into any water course or storm drain. Draining such water into these systems violates the Clean Streams Law because it may contain chlorine, copper and filter backwash that can harm aquatic life in local creeks and rivers. Storm drain systems are not designed to remove these pollutants.
- Pool water should not be discharged into the street. Instead, you should discharge water into the grass where it will allow for absorption, filtration, and aeration of the water through the soil before it reaches the groundwater table. By draining the pool at a slow and steady rate, filtration will be optimized and erosion will be prevented. When draining pool water into the grass, be attentive so that the water does not drain onto a neighboring property, which is a violation of township ordinances.
- Pool water may also be discharged into a sewer cleanout, laundry sink or other plumbing fixture so that the contaminated water enters the sanitary sewer system which is designed to remove many pollutants from water.
- If you utilize the services of a pool company for maintenance, please ensure that they comply with the regulations.

A fact sheet from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection entitled Swimming Pool Water Discharge Guidelines is available online at www.dep.state.pa.us (search keyword: Wastewater). Questions concerning these guidelines should be directed to the PA DEP Southeast Regional Office in Norristown at 484-250-5900.

East Pikeland Township Police Department News

- As the end of summer approaches and the fall season begins please remember these important safe driving tips as you traverse the roadways. The fall brings beautiful foliage, however leaves on wet roadways can be as slippery as driving on ice. Drive slowly through areas laden with wet leaves and refrain from hard braking. Leaves may obscure lane lines and other road markers, so pay close attention to the edge of the road and stay in your lane.
- The approach of the autumnal equinox can create difficult driving conditions due to sun glare. This phenomenon occurs 15 to 45 minutes after sunrise and before sunset, especially on roads that run east/west that align with the sun during those time frames.
- As the children return to school motorists must obey the Pennsylvania rules in regard to stopped school buses. When the red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended or the bus is stopped to unload children, motorists must also stop at least 10 feet from the school bus. Motorists may not proceed until after the red lights stop flashing and the arm is retracted. Please look carefully and make sure all the children are clear of the roadway before one proceeds. Failure to stop for a school bus carries penalties with an automatic 60 day suspension of your driver's license, five points on your record and a \$250 fine.
- The late summer and fall are popular times for bicyclists to ride on the roadways. Bicyclists should always remember to obey the rules of the road and ride on the right side of the road in the same direction as the rest of the traffic. Motorists should maintain a four foot minimum distance when passing a bicycle on the roadway. Let's all be safe on the roadways!

