



EAST PIKELAND TOWNSHIP

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CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

NEW OFFICE HOURS!
8am-4pm

1158 Rapps Dam Road • P.O. Box 58 • Kimberton, PA 19442

Hours: Monday - Friday / 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 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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J. Benson Campbell - Supervisor

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Michelle Rubin - Community Resources Coordinator

EAST PIKELAND TWP. POLICE DEPT.

Susette Wilson - Police Chief
610.935.0606

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Al Cushman - Director

IMPORTANT

Holiday Hours

The East Pikeland Township Administrative Office will be **closed on Thursday, November 28** and **Friday, November 29** for the Thanksgiving Holiday. The office will also be **closed Wednesday, December 25** for the Christmas Holiday and **Wednesday, January 1, 2020** for the New Year Holiday. We wish you all a happy Holiday Season!



Christmas Tree Recycling

During the month of January, residents will have two choices for recycling their Christmas tree:

1. **Between December 30 and January 31st, the Township Public Works Crew will conduct a curbside pick-up of trees (Monday-Friday).**
2. **Drop the tree off yourself behind the Township Building at the Yard Waste Recycling Center at Location B: Monday – Friday 7am – 3pm.**

Whether you participate in the drop-off or curbside tree recycling program, please follow these guidelines:

- Strip the tree of all ornaments and tinsel
- Do not wrap the tree in plastic (it will not be picked up)
- **Do not place the tree at the curb with your trash or your trash hauler may take it and it will not be recycled.**



Owl Prowl

Join the East Pikeland EAC on Saturday, December 7 at 7pm for an Owl Prowl. We will listen for owls along the French Creek Trail and try to ID them. Meet at the Rapps Dam Bridge Trail Head, and dress in weather appropriate gear!

After the walk enjoy s'mores and hot chocolate—all ages and abilities welcome, no experience necessary!



***For more information on these events, visit our Facebook Page!**

EAST PIKELAND TOWNSHIP MEMORABILIA

Great
for Gifts!



NEW!

Holiday Ornament Series

\$5.00 each

Snyder's Mill

Rapps Dam Covered Bridge

Kimberton Railroad Station

Chrisman's Mill (Kimberton Post Office)

East Pikeland Elementary School

New this year:
Zion Lutheran
Church!



East Pikeland Township Pint Glass 16oz
\$6 each or 2 for \$10



Notecards

Featuring Snyder's Mill or
Rapps Dam Bridge

Notecards: Pack of 12, \$10

Items can be purchased at the
East Pikeland Township
Building during regular
business hours.
Cash, Check, and Credit accepted.
**3% service fee added for credit*

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our community events in 2019! This year we hosted a total of 12 events, including a few new music and theater-focused events: our Summer Concert Series, Children's Theater, and the Kimberton Arts & Music Festival. Check your spring newsletter or the Township Facebook page or website for 2020 events. We can't wait to see you there!

– East Pikeland Park & Recreation Board

Crouse Property Update:

On May 14 East Pikeland Township acquired a 115-acre property located in the northern part of the township. Originally slated to become a high-density development the Township now hopes to see the property serve residents as parkland and open space.

Crouse Ribbon Cutting

The Township celebrated the acquisition of the property on Saturday, November 2 with elected officials and township volunteers.



Community Visioning

On Wednesday, November 6 East Pikeland held a Community Visioning Workshop at the Kimberton Fire Company to hear resident's ideas and concerns about the future of the Crouse property. Thanks to everyone who came out to share their ideas!



Date Night Movie Night

Our Friday the 13th Date Night was a hit with horror-loving movie goers. Local band, <7 played before the scary movie, "The Shining."



Family Movie Night

Kids of all ages had a great time with the petting zoo and pony rides. A lot of laughs were heard during "Secret Life of Pets 2"!

Fall Trail Clean Up

Thank you to the people who came out to the Fall Trail Clean Up! 35 volunteers helped to pick up trash and clear the trail of invasives. We appreciate you help!



Kimberton Arts & Music Festival

Thank you to everyone who attended the Kimberton Arts & Music Festival on Saturday, September 28 at Kimberton Park! It was a beautiful day to listen to live music, visit craft vendors, and enjoy the park.

We could not have done this event without the help of our dedicated volunteers, who gave their time and energy to make this event a success.

A special thank you to our photographers, Nina Cazille and Chris Frisco for taking such great pictures!



Do you want monthly **Park and Recreation** updates & event information? Sent your request for the E-newsletter to:

mrubin@eastpikeland.org



The **East Pikeland Environmental Advisory Council** has started a monthly E-newsletter. Stay updated on current environmental events and local recreation and education opportunities. Email mrubin@eastpikeland.org to sign up.

DISCOUNT Movie Tickets

Regal Cinema PREMIERE movie tickets \$9.50 (cash or check only).

Tickets are available year-round at the Township office.

Premiere Tickets are redeemable nationwide at any Regal Cinemas, Edward Theatres or United Artist Theaters 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 theaters. Premiere tickets never expire.



DISCOUNT Amusement & Park Tickets Available at Township:

Cash or check only

Adventure Aquarium, Camden, NJ

Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, PA

Museum of the American Revolution,
Philadelphia, PA

Philadelphia Zoo, Philadelphia, PA

Pricing available on Township website.

Park Closed

Kimberton Park is closed for winter! While you can still access the park, the bathrooms will be closed and water fountains are turned off



Kimberton Fire Company Santa

The Kimberton Fire Company's annual "Santa Detail" is Saturday, December 14, from 9am-dusk! As the Fire Truck approaches, children can come out to meet Santa and get a candy cane from the Volunteer Firefighters.

Following behind the fire truck will be a vehicle selling the famous "Kimberton Fire Company Doughnuts." The cost is \$7/dozen; if you would like to order in advance call the Station by Friday evening at 610.935.1388.

Families with special needs can also call the station and make special arrangements for a Santa stop. In the case of inclement weather, the make-up date will be Saturday, December 21. For additional info go to www.kimbertonfire.org and click on the "fundraising events" tab.



Electric Charging Station Permits

Interested in buying an electric car? Before you do, remember that you will need to get an electrical permit for the charging station! Find the permit on our website www.eastpikeland.org or at the Township building.

Seasonal Tips for Homeowners

Leaf Maintenance

Don't rake those fall leaves! Save yourself a lot of hard work and leave them on the ground. In addition to supplying additional nutrients to your soil (similar to fertilizer), a layer of leaves can inhibit weed growth. In order to ensure that the leaves don't smother your lawn, you should shred them by running your lawn mower over them.

If you insist on removing fall leaves from your property, remember that they cannot be disposed of with your trash. Leaves are recyclable and should be composted, either on your own property or at the township's Yard Waste Recycling Center behind the township building on Rapps Dam Road.



Don't Let *THIS*... Turn Into *THIS*



Have a storm drain near your home? Act as its caretaker and do your part to keep it free of litter and leaves.



Winter is on the Way!

East Pikeland Township's Snow Removal procedures are designed to keep the Township roadways as safe and accessible as possible during and after snowstorms. The Public Works Department is on call 24/7 for winter storms and has the responsibility of clearing 42 miles of roadways of snow and ice. Our goal is to provide residents with the highest possible level of service in a quick, efficient, and safe manner.

At the beginning of a snow event, **be assured that the township crews are out, but all roads cannot be treated at once.** The Township prioritizes roadway plowing during snow and ice events: first State roadways, then major secondary roadways, and lastly internal neighborhood roadways (including cul-de-sacs).

In order to assist the Township Public Works Department during snow events, we would like to remind residents of the following:

- **During a snow event, and especially when a Snow Emergency has been declared, we ask drivers to stay off the roads,** if possible.
- **Remove your vehicles from the street.** Vehicles parked in the roadway or cul-de-sac create a hazard for snow plow operators and do not allow roadways to be completely cleared
- **Do not shovel or plow snow from your driveway or walkway into the street.** Pile snow in your yard.
- During snowfalls when plows are used (generally when accumulation reaches 2 inches or more), the initial passes of the snowplow are to open the road to traffic flow, and emergency vehicles. Expect to have the snow pushed back to the curb on a later pass.
- **Maintain and repair mailbox posts.** Mailboxes should not extend past the face of the curb, preferably 1ft behind edge of road, and should be constructed 4' high of sturdy lumber so that the snow being pushed off the roadway will not damage the box.
- Property owners and businesses are reminded that a **2 ft. path of snow and ice must be removed from the sidewalk along your property within 24 hours** after the end of snowfall.
- As a precaution, **have an experienced professional cut tree limbs** away from power lines, the roof of your house, and all sidewalks adjacent to your property. During a snow event, tree limbs can be weighed down by snow and snap, damaging property and getting in the way of snow plows.

Please remember to refer to the East Pikeland Township website for the township snow removal policy and report any problems to East Pikeland Township at 610.933.1770, 8am to 4pm Monday through Friday. Please leave your name, address, contact number, and the nature of the problem if you are calling outside of office hours.

East Pikeland Township has a winter maintenance agreement with PennDOT to plow and salt the following State roadways:

- Chester Springs Rd.
- Coldstream Rd.
- Hares Hill Rd.
- Merlin Rd.
- Pothouse Rd.

PennDOT is responsible for the following state roads:

- Route 23
- Ridge Rd.
- Route 113
- Route 724
- Schuylkill Rd.

PennDOT contact info:

Call 1.800.FIX.ROAD to report potholes or 484.340.3200 for any other state road maintenance issues.

Snow Emergency Routes

Per Township Ordinance, parking along the roadways listed below is prohibited when snowfall is 2 inches or greater or if a snow emergency has been declared.

Beacon Drive	Forrest Avenue	Red Fox Circle	Verdant Drive
Brook Drive	Grace Avenue	Red Fox Lane	
Clover Lane	Jonathan Drive	Thistle Drive	
Fawn Lane	Lee Avenue	Valley Dell Boulevard	



Yard Waste Facility Winter Update



During the winter months the Township's Yard Waste Facility is open during regular weekday hours, but will be closed on Saturdays. The last Saturday the yard will be open is **November 23**. Saturday hours will resume in the spring.

Clean Up After Your Pets



Resist the urge to let Fido fend for himself when the weather turns colder and keep on scooping waste. Pet waste contains phosphorus, nitrogen and harmful bacteria that can leach into the groundwater table.

WELCOME
we're glad you're here

East Pikeland Police Welcome New Residents

The East Pikeland Police Department welcomes all new residents to the township and extends the opportunity to meet with residents to discuss township law enforcement issues. Information about the Police Department can be found on the township website under the Police Department tab, including Vacation Request Forms, Scam Warnings and current events. Next up on the calendar is a "Refuse to be a Victim" program on November 9th featuring Officer Dan Corbo, the Department's Community Relations Officer. Officer Corbo also invites residents to participate in the Citizens Police Academy to be offered again the early 2020. Watch the website or Facebook page for details.



Make this holiday season safe by following these tips from the East Pikeland Police Department:

- Before you embark on a shopping trip, remove your social security card and medical cards from your wallet or purse, as they may contain personal information. Carry only the essentials when you are out on the town.
- To ensure your safety while shopping, make sure to lock your car and keep valuables out of sight. Park in well-lit areas of the parking lot and be aware of your surroundings. This safety tip also applies to your vehicle when parked at your residence.
- When shopping online, only use a secure website denoted by the lock symbol on many sites. Also be sure to log off after you complete your purchase. Use only one credit card for online purchases.
- It is also important to monitor your credit card statements and bank information. Create a list of all your credit card and bank account information, and keep the information in a secure place, such as a password protected file. The list should include account numbers, expiration dates, phone numbers, and emails of the customer service and fraud departments. You will have quick access to the information if your cards and information is stolen.
- Remember to have a plan for online package deliveries to your home. Take advantage of electronic delivery alerts to make sure your gifts are delivered and received. If you can't be home to receive deliveries in a timely manner, consider arrangements with a trusted friend or neighbor to pick up your packages. Thefts of deliveries from your porch are on the rise with the increase use of online shopping during the holidays.

The East Pikeland Police Department wishes everyone a safe & enjoyable holiday season!