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Drumore Township Newsletter

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RESIDENTS OF DRUMORE TOWNSHIP

NEW ON-LOT SEWAGE MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

By Mark Deimler

Drumore Township has taken on the responsibility of monitoring existing on-lot sewage disposal systems as required by the Department of Environmental Protection through the Township's Act 537 Sewage Facilities Plan. The process includes locating the individual system, pumping of the tank, checking the condition of the treatment tank, checking the condition of the absorption area and associated components. This inspection is to ensure proper functionality and to protect the surface and ground waters of Drumore Township. The efficient management of this program requires the cooperation of all property owners and residents.

This program, which began on March 4, 2010, involves the property owner contacting a registered pumping contractor once every three (3) years for septic tank pumping and system inspection. The initial tank pumping and inspection must be conducted by December 31, 2011. If your septic tank was pumped after March 4, 2009, your pumper must complete the required paperwork and you may submit the results to Drumore Township and this will establish the date of your three (3) year cycle. Please note that all tanks associated with your system must be pumped.

In order to perform the required inspection, all pumping must occur through the access

manhole so please make sure that it is accessible. The pumping contractor will pump and inspect your system then complete a Township report. This report will be left on site by the pumper/hauler for you to submit to the Township along with a check for \$25.00 payable to Drumore Township. All registered pumpers have been supplied copies of the official report forms. A copy may be viewed or downloaded on the Drumore Township website www.co.lancaster.pa.us/drumore

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me via email drumoretwp@epix.net or by phone at 717-413-9857. Continued Page 2

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2010 CENSUS: BE COUNTED!

Every ten years a national Census is conducted to count every person in the United States. An accurate Census count is very important because Census figures are used in planning for transportation, community facilities, and land use, to distribute federal funding, and to determine our rep-

resentation in Congress.

In March, every household in the United States received a census questionnaire in the mail. The 2010 Census form will contain only ten questions and will take less than ten minutes to complete. The confidentiality of all data you pro-

vide on your Census form is protected by federal law and cannot be shared with anyone, including federal agencies and law enforcement entities.

Please help your community and protect your political representation: fill out and return your census form.

YOUR TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

Board of Supervisors

Kolin D McCauley—Chair
 James L Tollinger—Vice Chair
 James A Wingler—Member
 Sharon Roth—Secretary-Treasurer/Open Records Officer
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 Melvin Newcomer—Conflict Legal Counsel
 Zelenkofske Axelrod LLC—Certified Public Accountants

Zoning Officer/Building Code Official/Engineer/
 On-Lot Sewage Management Program Manager

Mark A Deimler, PE, SEO, BCO

Zoning Hearing Board

Scott Musser—Chair
 Shane O'Brien—Vice Chair
 Wayne Lefever—Secretary
 Goodman & Kenneff—Thomas Goodman, Solicitor
 Scott Ault—Alternate Member
 Ronald Cutler—Alternate Member

Planning Commission

David Nichols—Chair
 Robert Currey—Vice Chair
 Ann Zemsky—Secretary
 Thomas Smith—Member
 Karen McComsey—Member

Auditors (Elected)

Kimberly Tucker—Chair
 Julie Markley—Secretary
 Andrew Martin—Member

Constable

James A Wingler

Tax Collector

Linda Martin

Election Officials

Chris Gibson—Judge of Elections
 Chris Gehr—Majority Inspector
 Cindy Derr—Minority Inspector
 Jackie Miller—Clerk

Emergency Management Coordinator

David A Jackson Sr

Vacancy Board

Paul Trimble

Gypsy Moth Coordinator

Ronald Cutler

Sewage Enforcement Officer

Marvin Stoner

Drumore Park

James Wingler

Drumore/Dromore Committee

Marge & Steve McCauley

Road Crew

Kolin McCauley, Roadmaster
 Pete Schmidt

Newsletter Committee

Sharon Roth
 Ann Zemsky

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**NEW ON-LOT SEWAGE
 MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS**

At the end of every three year period, if the Township has not received a field inspection report for your property, a registered pumper/hauler will be contracted to provide this service for the Township and you will be billed accordingly. For those who wish to have a Township inspector conduct the inspection, the Township fee for this service has been set at \$125.00. This cost will be in addition to the necessary pumping of the treatment tank.

A list of the pumper/haulers currently registered with Drumore Township follows for your reference.

*Mark A. Deimler, PE, SEO, BCO
 On-Lot Sewage Management Program Manager*

**REGISTERED
 PUMPER / HAULERS**

Devonshire Septic Tank Service LLC

717-786-1998

Email: dandrffarm@comcast.net

Fins Environmental Service LLC d/b/a Honey Wagon Septic

717-284-5228

www.finsenvironmentalservice.com

Kline's Services Inc

717-898-8158

www.klinesservices.com

Lanco Septic Service

717-786-3616

Septic Solutions LLC

717-529-0931

Email: rlprettyman@epix.net

Snyder & Mylin Septic Services LLC

717-284-0303

Email: smexcavating@aol.com

W Davis & Sons

717-284-3688

Email: lilsnoopy1417@hotmail.com

QUARRYVILLE LIBRARY - YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

The Library is located at 357 Buck Road, Quarryville, PA. Check out the following events at the Library. For further information call the Library at 717-786-1336 or go to the Library website at www.quarryvillelibrary.org.

Crochet Classes will start April 21, Wednesday, 6-7:30pm. These classes will run Wednesday Evening, April 21 - June 2. Please call the library at 717-786-1336 to register. All are welcome!

College Funding Seminar at the Quarryville Library - Thursday, April 22, 6:30-8pm. Please call 717-560-9400 to register.

Friends of the Library Spring Used Book Sale - Preview May 19, 6-8pm (\$3 at the door); May 20, 9am-8pm; May 21, 9am-5pm; May 22, 9am -12 noon.

Summer Reading Program begins June 1st for children and youth! Read to earn prizes including tickets to a Barnstormers game, pretzel from Auntie Anne's and ticket to the Strasburg Railroad. Details at the Library.

Did you know the Library is a passport acceptance facility? You may have your passport photos taken and apply for your passport

at the Library. Please call ahead to schedule an appointment .

Regular ongoing events at the Library:

Friends of the Library meet the first Tuesday of the month at 10am. All are welcome!

Family Movie Nights are the first Thursday of every month at 6:30pm - bring the family for a FREE movie (G or PG) and popcorn!

"Common Threads" - A needleworker's group (knitting, cross-stitch, etc) meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at 6:30pm. All are welcome!

Knitters meet every Tuesday Evening at 6pm. All are welcome!

Fall Fund Raisers sponsored by the Friends of the Library:

- YARD SALE September 11, 8am-1pm
- BOOKSALE October 21-23 (Preview October 20, 6-8pm)
- CRAFT SHOW November 20, 8am-2pm
- COOKIE SALE December 10-11

—Ann Zemsky

**WATERSHED GROUP RECEIVES AWARD
ANNOUNCES 2010 EVENTS**

The Friends of Fishing Creek organization was recently named the Lancaster County 2010 watershed group of the year. Matt Kofroth, watershed specialist for the Conservation District, who presented the award, applauded the group's continuing passion and commitment to preserving Fishing Creek.

The number of activities planned, coordinated and executed by the Group is a testament to the local community's support for this high quality cold water fishery, the majority of which runs through Drumore Township. Jan Hartle, President, who accepted the award on behalf of Friends of Fishing Creek, thanked local landowners and businesses and other organizations, such as the Lancaster Conservancy, Conservation District, Fish & Boat Commission and Donegal Trout Unlimited, for partnering with the group. "We all have the same goal in mind," said Hartle. "That is, to preserve,

promote and protect Fishing Creek."

The Group's 2010 schedule began with the annual Earth Day event held at the Quarryville Library. On Saturday, April 24, the group will be picking up litter and pulling weeds along various roadways and stream banks along the creek. Anyone interested in participating in this event, should meet at Drumore Township Building at 9 a.m. The event will go until noon. Gloves, vests and trash bags will be provided.

Other planned events include: fish stocking for the season; monthly water monitoring; and streambank and habitat restoration work along Fishing Creek located within Valley Lea Riding Club property. The annual highly anticipated and enjoyed children's Creek Stomp is planned for Wednesday evening, June 23.

Anyone interested in any of these activi-

ties or who has suggestions for projects along the Creek should contact the group at 717-284-7078 or e-mail them at friendsoffishing-creek@yahoo.com.

COMMUTER SERVICES OFFERS SOLUTIONS FOR HIGH GAS PRICES



Check out www.PaCommuterServices.com or call toll-free 1-866-579-RIDE for information on commuting options including transit, car-pools, vanpools, telecommuting, special work shifts, biking or walking.

On-line there is a calculator to show how much your commute costs now and a confidential, ride-matching database with thousands of local commuters seeking people to share rides to work. Commuter Services also reimburses commuters using options for rides home in case of family emergencies.

D R U M O R E / D R O M O R E

- ♣ Our friends from Dromore, Northern Ireland have decided to wait until 2011 to visit our Drumore. If anyone would like to be a part of the Drumore/Dromore Twinning or you would like more information about the D-D please give Marge a call 717-548-3337.
- ♣ We are having our election day sale of a Ham & Cheese Sandwich on a Kaiser roll for \$3.00. The sale will be May 18th. If you would like to purchase and/or sell sandwiches please call the McCauley's at 717-548-3337 to place your order. The money raised is used to provide transportation, activities, etc. for our Irish guests while they are visiting next year.
- ♣ Following is a letter from Jack Stewart from South Carolina. After the last Drumore Township newsletter was sent out to everyone and was posted on the web site, Jack read the Twinning article and emailed me. He explains what and why he wanted to come to this area.—Marge McCauley

Drumore Township was the source of a wonderful experience for my wife, Pat, and me, Jack Stewart, on April 15, 2009. I have been searching for my Stewart ancestors, and my search led me to Drumore township, where the family came when they left their home in Dromore, Northern Ireland, in 1735. The attraction that brought them here was the Chestnut Level Presbyterian Church.

**D R U M O R E A L U M N I
B A N Q U E T**

Anyone who attended Drumore High School, Drumore Elementary School, or graduated from Solanco High School while living in Drumore Township is eligible to attend the Drumore Alumni Banquet which will be held SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2010 at the Chestnut Level Family Life Center 1068 Chestnut Level Road, Quarryville, PA. Business Meeting at 5 p.m.- DINNER 6 p.m. Cost \$9.25 per person. Make reservations with Betsy Hess 717-548-2885 or Donna Miller 717-284-2767. Deadline for reservations April 21st. Come see old school friends and reminisce old school tales. Enjoyable evening of good food and fellowship.

So Pat and I left our home in South Carolina in April to visit this place. We had already visited Dromore in Ireland in 1999.

What a delightful reception we received from the people in your township. Tom Smith met us at the township office and spent all day showing us the area and helping us see and understand how my family lived when they arrived here over 270 years ago. Of particular interest was the Chestnut Level Church, where Tom brought out all the old record books for us to look over. What a beautiful church! But he didn't stop there. He took us to the Robert Fulton Birthplace where the folks there brought out all the Stewart files. We went to see Tom's parent's old home place, we visited Susquehannock State Park, we had the postmistress mail our letters with the Drumore postmark, and we ate at the Valley View Family Restaurant.

Tom then turned us over to Marge and Steve McCauley who continued to help us with our research into old maps. Later we found that the Samuel Stewart home place was in Colerain township. Marge and Steve hosted dinner for us at a restaurant in Quarryville with friends including Cindy Derr and her husband Jeff, and Nancy and Jack Carter.

We met people who were so kind and generous that we will never forget them. We visited your beautiful and peaceful part of the country. It was as if we had

driven into Shangri-La. It is certainly unmatched for retaining the same rural setting that it has enjoyed for the last three centuries.

We left with a copy of the cookbook *Feeding His Flock, A Collection of Recipes From The Chestnut Level Presbyterian Church*, and Tom Smith's book *Liberty Square Observed and Noted*. This excerpt from Tom's book summarizes the memory of Drumore that we will always hold. "The morning silence is interrupted ... by gold-finches, titmouse, and blue jays, singing joyfully to their Maker, with a solo sung by a Carolina wren. Suddenly, complete silence, when all stop to pray."

Thank you and God Bless you all,
Pat and Jack Stewart



**P L E A S E
S U P P O R T
Y O U R L O C A L
V O L U N T E E R S**



- ♣ Rawlinsville Fire Company
PO Box 1, Holtwood PA 17532
Website: www.rvfd58.com
- ♣ Robert Fulton Fire Company
PO Box 8, Peach Bottom PA 17563
Website: www.rffc513.com
- ♣ Providence Twp Ambulance Assoc
PO Box 171, New Providence PA 17560
Website: www.ptaa59.com
- ♣ Wakefield Ambulance Association
PO Box 86, Peach Bottom, PA 17563
- ♣ Susquehanna Valley EMS
Website: www.svems.org



FROM THE ROAD DEPARTMENT



By Pete Schmidt

After a severe winter season with record snowfall in our area, all of us in the Road Department were glad to see the last snowdrifts melt away and the mud dry up. There were 33 days this past winter when we were out on the roads either spreading salt and cinders, plowing snow, or both. Now we have had some time to evaluate last winter's damage to the roads and are busy planning, prioritizing, advertising for bids, and scheduling road work for this season.

This year's (2010) bids have been awarded for stone, road oil, asphalt and equipment rental. As usual, it will be a challenge to get the most work done with our budget limitations.

We are presently sweeping roads in preparation to begin skin patching to seal cracks in the road surface, especially along the edges. Working cooperatively with several of our neighboring townships, we are scheduled to work on Drumore Township roads the last week in April, depending on weather conditions. After skin patching and sweeping is done, we will be changing the tractor over to begin mowing road banks about mid-May.

During the summer months, and between mowing cycles, we will again be working with our neighboring townships cleaning side gutters, swales, and culvert pipes. We also plan to install a new box culvert with drain grate and new culvert pipe and then continue the paving overlay on Fernglen Drive from where we left off last year up to the intersection of Furniss Road.

Last year we finished paying off the new CAT loader, and now without that large expense we are considering our options for equipment expenditures permitted within our Liquid Fuels budget allowance. Some options for consideration are: 1) replacement of or purchase of a newer dump truck, 2) a tailgate mounted cross conveyor (side shooter) for road shoulder work, and/or 3) a liquid rubber crack sealing machine. At this time no decisions have been made on any of these options.

Over the past year we have enjoyed working with the neighboring road crews at Fulton, East Drumore, Little Britain and West Nottingham Townships in a cooperative, productive and mutually beneficial relationship, sharing equipment, manpower, knowledge and expertise, and we look forward to continuing this year!



LANCASTER COUNTY PRESCRIPTION
DRUG DISCOUNT CARDS

Now Available to Print Online

Lancaster County residents have saved more than \$150,000 on over 8,500 prescriptions medications since the Lancaster County Prescription Drug Discount Card Program was initiated in May 2009. And now realizing this saving is easier than ever.

If you have not been able to pick a card up from Drumore Township, you can now print an active Lancaster County Prescription Drug Discount Card online. To use this new tool, visit www.caremark.com/naco and select "Print a card". You will then be prompted to enter your zip code. Select

'Next' and an ID card will be generated for your immediate use at participating pharmacies

The program, offered by the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners, provides a discount on prescription drugs not covered by another health plan at any of the 91 participating pharmacies in Lancaster County or 59,000 participating pharmacies Nationwide.

The cards are FREE and there are no eligibility requirements, enrollment forms, or membership fees to use the Lancaster County Prescription Drug Discount Card program. Simply pick up a card and take it

to a participating pharmacy to receive a discount. One card can be used for the whole family!

For additional information about the program or to find a participating pharmacy near you, please visit www.caremark.com/naco, www.co.lancaster.pa.us, or call toll free 1-877-321-2652. **You may also contact the County Commissioners' Office at 717-299-8300.**

This program is available through the Commissioners' partnership with the National Association of Counties (NACo) and is administered by Caremark.

BUILDING AND ZONING PERMITS

A Zoning Permit is required for most activities with a cost in excess of \$1,000. Please call the Zoning Officer for additional information.

A Building Permit is required for all new construction and alterations to a structure. The building permit issuance and inspections are conducted by either Municipal Solutions or Commonwealth Code Inspection Services, Inc. They can be contacted with questions regarding the Uniform Construction Code.

A Highway Occupancy Permit is required for construction of a new access or alteration of an existing access to either a Township or State roadway (Route 272).

A Building Permit is not required for:

- ♣ A detached residential accessory structure less than 1,000 square feet of usable floor area
- ♣ Agricultural structures
- ♣ Retaining wall not exceeding 4 feet in height
- ♣ Swimming pool less than 24 inches deep
- ♣ Deck (uncovered) less than 30 inches from existing grade

The following information is required for submission of a Building Permit application:

- ♣ Completed application
- ♣ Three (3) copies of all information (plans & specifications)
- ♣ Payment of the permit fees prior to issuance
- ♣ A Sewage Permit (new construction or alteration that changes sewage flows)
- ♣ A soil erosion and sedimentation control plan for any earth disturbance activities. Additional information can be obtained by calling the Lancaster County Conservation District @ 717-299-5361.
- ♣ A Highway Occupancy Permit is required for construction of an access to either a Township or State roadway (Route 272)

The following information is required for the submission of a Zoning Permit application:

- ♣ Completed application
- ♣ Payment of the permit fees
- ♣ Sketch showing location and nature of improvements
- ♣ A soil erosion and sedimentation control plan for any earth disturbance activities. Additional information can be obtained by calling the Lancaster County Conservation District @ 717-299-5361.
- ♣ An Individual NPDES Permit if the earth disturbance exceeds one acre and there is a point source discharge from the construction activities
- ♣ Notification of approval from the Lancaster County Conservation District for Manure Storage Facilities
- ♣ A Highway Occupancy Permit is required for construction of an access to either a Township or State Roadway (Route 272)

**PLAN REVIEW AND
CODE INSPECTION
AGENCIES**

- ♣ Commonwealth Code Inspection
176 Doe Run Road
Manheim, Pa 17545
Phone: 717-664-2347
Fax: 717-664-4953
- ♣ Municipal Solutions, Inc.
845 Waterway Road
Oxford, PA 19363
Phone: 610-587-9952
Fax: 610-932-4643
Attn: John D Coldiron

ZONING OFFICER

Our Zoning Officer, Mark Deimler, does not have regularly scheduled office hours at the Township Municipal Building. Meetings are arranged by appointment only. Your questions regarding zoning and permit issuance can be answered by calling Mark Deimler (Strausser Surveying and Engineering, Inc) @ 717-413-9857.

**SEWAGE
ENFORCEMENT
OFFICER**

Our Sewage Enforcement Officer, Marvin Stoner, can be reached Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. @ 717-786-3205.

2010 FEE SCHEDULE FOR DRUMORE TOWNSHIP

Equipment:

Loader	\$100.00/hour with Operator
Grader	\$100.00/hour with Operator
Truck	\$ 75.00/hour with Operator
Backhoe	\$ 85.00/hour with Operator
Laborer	\$ 35.00/hour

Park Fees:

By Donation

Return Check Fees:

Drumore Township will charge a fee of \$25.00 (twenty—five dollars) plus bank charges, administrative fees and any other fees and charges incurred by the municipality for any check that is returned to the Township due to insufficient funds, an account being closed, or for any other reason. The Township has the right to refuse payment of check from anyone who has previously had a check that was returned to the Township.

Right to Know Fees:

Paper copies shall be 25 cents per page per side. The certification of a record is \$1 per record. Specialized documents including, but not limited to, blue prints, color copies, and non-standard sized documents shall be charged the actual cost of production. If mailing is requested, the cost of postage will be charged. The township shall require prepayment.

Sewage Fees:

Percolation & Probe Test	\$200.00
Second Test Same Lot	\$100.00
Sewage Permit	\$100.00
Rate per Hour for All Other Work	\$ 50.00

On-Lot Sewage Management Fees:

Pumper/Hauler Registration Fee	\$ 25.00
Homeowner Inspection Processing Fee	\$ 25.00
Township Inspection Fee	\$125.00

Zoning Fees:

Agricultural Related Structure	.05 per sq. ft. Minimum \$25.00
Commercial/Industrial Structure	.45 per sq. ft. Minimum \$150.00
Institutional Structure	.08 per sq. Ft. Minimum \$100.00
Residential Structure (Including additions & accessory structures)	.15 per sq. ft. Minimum \$25.00
Zoning Fee for Projects not Meeting Defined Construction Classification	1% of Total Cost of improvement Minimum \$25.00
Certificate of Occupancy	\$ 50.00
Decks and Patios/Fences	\$ 50.00
DEP Planning Module Review Fee	\$ 75.00 plus Engineer Review Fees
Driveway Permit	\$ 50.00
Drumore Township Holding Tank Agreement Review	\$200.00
Exelon Energy Cabin Certification	\$200.00
Holding Tank Inspection Fee	\$100.00 per year
Plan Review Fee	\$100.00 plus Engineer Review Fees
Pool - Above Ground Pool/Spa/Jacuzzi	\$ 50.00
Pool - In Ground Pool	\$ 50.00
Research	\$ 25.00 per hour
Sign	\$ 50.00
Zoning Books/Maps	\$ 30.00/\$10.00 (plus postage)
Appeals & Applications to Zoning Hearing Board	\$500.00 & \$250.00 per each continuance
Conditional Use Hearing	\$500.00 & \$300.00 per each continuance
Re-Zoning Requests	\$500.00 & \$300.00 per each continuance

D R U M O R E T O W N S H I P

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Drumore, PA 17518-9768

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E-mail: drumoretwp@epix.net
Office Hours: M*W*F 9:30-Noon

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D R U M O R E P A R K

Drumore Park is open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm this year for all to enjoy. The township workers will be removing some dead trees and the Boy Scouts of Troop 91 from Chestnut Level will be cleaning up the leaves and mulching again this year. The playground equipment will be inspected and maintained throughout the season. Portable toilets will be brought in for the season. The picnic tables and pavilions will be pressure washed in preparation for the season. Drumore Township residents may reserve a pavilion for any special events by calling 548-2660 and leaving a message. Please be sure to leave your phone number so we can get back to you. There is no charge to reserve pavilions but donations to help with the expense of park maintenance are appreciated.



T O W N S H I P M E E T I N G S

Business meetings are held at the Township Municipal Building at 1675 Furniss Road, Drumore. The public is welcome to attend.

- ♣ Board of Supervisors—first Thursday of the month @ 7:30 p.m.
- ♣ Planning Commission—last Tuesday of the month @ 7 p.m.
- ♣ Zoning Hearing Board—second Monday of the month @ 7 p.m. as needed for applicants requesting a zoning hearing. These public hearings are published in the Legal Notices section of the Lancaster Newspapers.

Check the calendar on our website for additional information—
www.co.lancaster.pa.us/drumore

**J U S T M O V E D T O
D R U M O R E T O W N S H I P ?**

Welcome! If you have any questions about the Township, please call us @ 717-548-2660. If no one is available to take your call, leave your name and number and someone will return your call.