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East Bradford  
Township  
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# East Bradford Township

Spring/Summer 2006

## Newsletter



### TOWNSHIP RECYCLING FIGURES ARE DOWN—YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Do you recycle everything that you can? When grocery shopping do you question whether a container can be recycled or must be disposed of in the trash?

Each year the township must report its recycling figures to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for the Act 101 Section 904 grant money which the township uses to offset the cost of curbside leaf collection, tire recycling and starting this year the road side litter collection program. The grant money received for 2004 was \$10,000 less than 2003 because of the drop in the total weight of recycling. We are asking all residents to review the recycling requirements of the township as listed below and help us increase our recycling.

**ALUMINUM BEVERAGE CANS:** Rinse cans clean. Cans may be flattened to conserve space.

**BI-METAL CANS:** Rinse cans clean. Cans may be flattened to conserve space. Bi-metal cans include juice cans, soup cans, tuna cans, cat & dog food cans, etc.

**GLASS:** Clear, brown and green glass JARS & BOTTLES ONLY. Rinse glass clean; remove metal rings and lids. It is not necessary to remove labels.

**PLASTIC:** #1 AND #2 Plastic bottles only (NO MOTOR OIL BOTTLES OR ANTI-FREEZE BOTTLES). On the bottom of the bottle you will see a triangle made of arrows, with a number in it. This is the content number for the bottle. #1 and #2 are the only bottles we collect, they include milk, soda, shampoo & soap bottles to name a few, but do check the number as not every bottle is the same.

**Please place the following items in separate bags or bundles on top or along side your recycling bin:**

**NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES & TELEPHONE BOOKS:** Stack neatly and place in brown paper bags or tie with string. No wax coated items. Place bundle on top of recycling bin or along side bin.

**JUNK MAIL & HOME OFFICE PAPER:** Includes home office paper, envelopes, file folders, index cards, computer paper. Place in brown paper bags and place on top of recycling bin or along side bin. Please note that at this time we can not accept shredded paper for recycling.

**CARDBOARD:** Cardboard must be flattened, **bundled no larger than one (1) square foot and tied with string or placed in a brown paper bag.** You may include corrugated cardboard boxes; cereal, cracker, macaroni, tissue boxes, etc.; pizza boxes only if they are not greasy. Please remove all inner wrappers, and flatten all boxes. Any boxes left larger than one square foot or not flattened will not be picked up. Place on top of or along side recycling bin.

More information can be found at the township website: [www.eastbradford.org](http://www.eastbradford.org) under Trash & Recycling Information.

### New Township Environmental Ordinances

The Township recently adopted new ordinances regulating grading operations, certain tree removal activities and protection of lands near streams (riparian buffer areas) to meet Federal and State requirements to improve the water quality in our streams. If you are planning any earthmoving operations, removal of trees or any activities within riparian buffer areas, be sure to contact the Township to find out if the activity is allowed, and acquire any necessary Township permits. The new ordinances can be obtained at the Township building or on the internet at [www.eastbradford.org](http://www.eastbradford.org) under Code of the Township.

The Township will be undergoing an investigation of several reported potential violations in the Township in the near future. If you think you may be conducting an activity that is in violation of the Code or without the appropriate permits, please contact the Township immediately for instructions on permit acquisitions to avoid any remedies that may involve fines or other penalties administered by the Township.

# Barking Dog Becomes Nuisance

Dr. Carrie Althouse, DVM  
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With spring in the air, I am noticing the howl and yowl of neighborhood dogs. This seems like a good time to revisit an old issue – the dog that barks excessively. You know the one – the dog left out in the yard to “play”, who instead spends the day barking at every little noise, real or perceived.

First, it is important to remember that dogs bark for a variety of reasons – warning, excitement, fear, frustration, in response to other dogs barking, etc. While we appreciate the warning bark that alerts us to intrusion, constant barking for no justifiable reason can become extremely irritating. The SPCA suggests that answering “yes” to any of the following questions could qualify your dog as a “neighborhood noise nuisance”.

Does your dog bark excessively?

- When he is left alone and lonesome?
- When another dog barks?
- When the kids next door come out to play?
- When he’s outside and wants to get in the house?
- When the neighbors leave or return home?
- When you come home?
- At garbage collectors, passing cars?

As a responsible owner, you should recognize the problem behavior and correct it. To do this, you must teach him when barking is appropriate and how much barking is acceptable. One or two barks in response to a visitor, passerby or other barking dog is not considered excessive. Prolonged, persistent barking for hours on end certainly is.

To curtail excessive barking, determine when and why your dog is barking. Is he lonely? When outside, is he confined to a small area and therefore frustrated by his lack of freedom? Is there a lot of new activity in your area such as construction? Are there a lot of distractions or excitatory factors, such as animal traffic, human traffic, or neighboring dogs? Is he bored?

Solutions depend on the problem. For lonely dogs, expanding their territory through a fenced yard or large pen may quiet them. If possible, a companion pet might be beneficial. Make sure that all dogs have plenty of toys to play with when you are away.

To correct the problem behavior, the SPCA offers the “water training method” in which one or two squirts of water at the barking dog are used to reinforce the command “quiet.” This conditioning procedure is repeated each time the dog barks needlessly. Often a day or two of training is enough when you are consistent. It is always wise to consider a local obedience class. Such classes usually include a section on teaching a dog to stop barking on command. These professionals usually have a lot of experience with obedience problems and promote better owner-pet communication.

Please remember, praising your dog when he is appropriately quiet can be the most effective training tool, and striking an animal is both ineffective and unacceptable. We all want to be courteous neighbors and therefore must be responsible dog owners.

# West Chester Fire Department Fire Prevention Day 2006



The West Chester Fire Department will hold its annual  
Fire Prevention Day on  
Saturday, September 23, 2006.  
From 1 pm to 5 pm  
at the West Chester Fire Training Center  
located on Snyder Avenue, off South Matlack Street  
between the West Chester By-pass and Rosedale Avenue.

## Fire Prevention Day Includes:

- .. Fire Prevention Materials
- .. West Chester Fire Department Demonstrations
- .. Good Fellowship Ambulance Demonstrations
- .. Live Fire Demonstrations
- .. Vehicle Extrication
- .. West Chester Police Department SWAT Team
- .. West Chester Police Department Bike Team
- .. Chester County Communications (COMM 1)
- .. Chester County Public Safety Team
- .. PennStar Medical Helicopter



## The West Chester Fire Department:

First West Chester Fire Company  
(Station 51)  
Good Will Fire Company  
(Station 52)  
Fame Fire Company  
(Station 53)

**Remember the Date!!**

**Saturday,  
September 23, 2006**

**Rain Date  
Sunday, September 24, 2006**

# East Bradford Day September 30, 2006

**STROUD PRESERVE  
RTE. 162 & NORTH CREEK ROAD**

**12 NOON – 4:00 P.M.**

***“CONSERVE OUR ENVIRONMENTAL HERITAGE”***

**Come canoe down the Brandywine and stroll, bike, or take a carriage ride along North Creek Road. Enjoy viewing and participating in environmental displays, children’s activities, featured artists, fishing in the pond, antique cars, fiddlers, and food provided by Giunta’s Family Market.**

**Register on line at [EBDayActivities@verizon.net](mailto:EBDayActivities@verizon.net) for the organized adult bike ride, canoeing and carriage rides. These activities are free of charge, but space is limited. If you do not have internet access and would like to register for these activities, please call Nancy at East Bradford Township (610) 436-5108.**

**Volunteers are needed to help with activities during the day. Please contact Nancy at (610) 436-5108 if interested.**

**2006 Recreation Events—Mark your Calendars**  
**All Events are FREE to Residents**



## *The West Chester Band*

Sunday, July 23, 2006—7 pm  
East Bradford Park  
835 Kenmara Drive

### *"Twentieth Anniversary Celebration"*

The West Chester Band will be inviting alumni to join in this grand concert of patriotic music, show tunes, and light classical numbers with a few novelty numbers thrown in for fun!

Pack a picnic dinner, bring along the lawn chairs & blankets and enjoy the music with family and friends!



## **The Swing Kings**

Sunday, August 27, 2006—7 pm  
East Bradford Park  
835 Kenmara Drive



### **"HOT SUMMER, COOL MUSIC"**

Enjoy the great jazz standards like "Orange Colored Sky", "Lush Life", Monk's "Round Midnight", and "Prelude To A Kiss". A special jazz arrangement of the popular Broadway Show "Chicago", and music from "The Incredible's". And don't forget those great 40's tunes such as Glenn Miller's "In The Mood", Woody Herman's "Woodchopper's Ball" plus many more!!!

Come out for this lively evening that will have you tapping your foot and dancing on the grass! Bring a picnic dinner and blanket and enjoy this wonderful evening!

## DEER MANAGEMENT IN EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP

The Board of Supervisors, in conjunction with the township Environmental Advisory Council, are investigating the potential for managed deer hunting on township owned lands. Private land owner with more then 5 acres of property may also wish to participate in the program. While the details of the program have not been finalized, the township hopes to have a program in place for the 2006-2007 deer hunting season. More details will be published in upcoming newsletters and on the township website, [www.eastbradford.org](http://www.eastbradford.org).

The deer management program will attempt to reach a better natural balance by reducing the deer herd size. The benefits of a deer management program are protection of plant species, animal species, human health and the deer herd.

The township is hopeful that working together with the responsible hunting community will help preserve the natural beauty of East Bradford's vast open space areas.

### 2006 ROAD PROJECTS

The following roads have been approved by the Board of Supervisors for Microsurfacing during 2006:

**Sunset Hollow Road**—from Valley Creek Rd. to the Township line.

**Brookworth Road**—from Highland Road to Downingtown Pike.

**Brookmeade Drive**—from Strasburg Road to Gregory Lane.

**Warwick Road**—from Gregory Lane to the cul-de-sac.

**Gregory Lane**—from Brookworth Road to the cul-de-sac.

**Allandale Lane**—Warwick Road to the Clu-de-sac.

**North Creek Road**—From Strasburg Road to West Miner Street/South Creek Road.

**Allerton Road**—from West Miner Street to South Bridge Road.

**Lucky Hill Road**—from Allerton Road to the Township line.



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### ROADSIDE LITTER COLLECTION—UPDATE

From February through April, 2006 a total of 107 bags of litter along with various auto parts and junk has been collected by Green Start. We thank them for helping to keep East Bradford Township beautiful. If you see an area that needs attention please do not hesitate to contact the Township Public Works Department at 610-436-6507.



### HISTORIC RESOURCE PHOTO SURVEY AND INVENTORY

Over the past year and a half, the East Bradford Historical Commission, working with its consultant, Wise Preservation Planning, has been updating the township historic resource inventory. The purpose of the update is to bring the township historic inventory into compliance with the guidelines of National Preservation Law. The Historical Commission generated the first inventory of historic resources over twenty five years ago and over the years has realized that omissions existed, some resources needed to be reconsidered for their historic contribution to our local and national history and laws defining historic resources have changed. The final product which was presented to the township earlier this year was partially funded by a 50% grant match from the PA Historic and Museum Commission. The Historical Commission is currently reviewing the inventory and will make recommendations later this year to the Board of Supervisors for any additions, deletions or modifications. The Historical Commission will notify each property owner, as was done in the past, of any changes to their property's classification.

The Inventory is a huge, three part document available for public view at the township building during regular business hours and is comprised of the township history; a proposed historic resource map locating all of the resources and also a computer data base of resources. The historical and architectural significance of each resource is noted on the PA Historic and Museum Commission Forms. These tools will provide the Historical Commission assistance in the protection of our historic heritage.

This Historical Commission wishes to thank the owners of historic properties in the township who were kind enough to share information about their properties and participate in the photo survey.

The Preservation Alliance of Greater Philadelphia has awarded the East Bradford Township Historical Commission a Preservation Award for it work in creating the photo survey of the township historic resources.

Mary Sue B. Wiedmer, Chairman  
East Bradford Historical Commission



**FRIENDS OF EAST BRADFORD PARK**

The Parks & Recreation Board would like to establish a group to help beautify the planting beds at East Bradford Park with annual & perennial flowers and shrubs. This group would be responsible for choosing the proper flowers and or shrubs for the area and conditions and also the planting of the flower beds. The Township would provide all necessary plants and materials. If you are interested or belong to a garden club or service organization that would be interested in helping please contact the Township at (610) 436-5108.

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666 Copeland School Road  
West Chester, PA 19380-1822  
(610) 436-5108  
[www.eastbradford.org](http://www.eastbradford.org)

Reminder: Cardboard Drop-off  
Second Weekend of Each Month  
At the Township Building.  
**PLEASE FLATTEN ALL BOXES.**

THANK YOU to  
West Chester Fish, Game & Wildlife  
for the work they did at the West  
Valley Nature Area  
located at Skelp Level Road and  
Downtown Pike.



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**East Bradford Day 2006**  
is on its way.  
Look inside for more  
information.

### Township Meeting Schedule. All meetings are held in the Township Building:

- **Board of Supervisors**  
2nd Wednesday each month (7:00 P.M.)  
Work Session Thursday prior (Noon)  
Work Session 2nd Wed (6:00 P.M.)
- **Planning Commission**  
1st Tuesday each month (7:30 P.M.)  
Work Session 4th Tuesday (7:30 P.M.)
- **Historical Commission**  
3rd Tuesday each month (7:00 P.M.)
- **Parks & Recreation Board**  
4th Wednesday each month (7:30 P.M.)
- **Trails Subcommittee**  
3rd Thursday each month (Noon)
- **Open Space Review Board**  
4th Tuesday each month (6:00 P.M.)
- **Environmental Advisory Counsel**  
4th Monday each month (7:00 P.M.)
- **East Bradford Day Committee**  
3rd Wednesday each month (7:00 P.M.)
- **Zoning Hearing Board, H.A.R.B.  
& Building Code Appeals Board**  
(As needed)

### **Office Hours: Monday—Friday**

8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.  
(610) 436-5108  
Fax (610) 436-8652  
WEB SITE—[www.eastbradford.org](http://www.eastbradford.org)  
All meetings, are open to the public,  
except Executive Sessions of the Board of  
Supervisors & OSRB.

### Household Hazardous Waste Collection All collections are 9 am—3 pm

#### **Saturday, May 13, 2006**

Owen J. Roberts High School  
981 Ridge Road, Pottstown, PA 19465

#### **Saturday, September 9, 2005**

New Garden Township Building  
8934 Gap Newport Road, Landenberg, PA 19350

#### **Saturday, October 7, 2006**

Government Services Center  
601 Westtown Road, West Chester, PA 19382

#### **These words identify HHW:**

Caution, Toxic, Danger, Flammable,  
Warning, Corrosive, Explosive, Reactive,  
Combustible,  
Poisonous, Hazardous.

#### **UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS:**

Latex (water-based) paint, Explosives,  
Ammunition, Appliances, Radioactive waste,  
Tires, Infectious waste, Unidentified waste.