



# East Norriton Township

## Issues

Winter 2011/2012

## East Norriton Police Department Has a New Look!

Early in 2011, change was on the horizon. Fresh paint and new pictures donned the walls, but our troops desired more. Officer committees were formed and tasked to come up with new graphics for the police vehicles and a new police uniform and patch design. With final approval granted by the Board of Supervisors, new vehicle graphics were rolled out in September and made their debut at the Community Day celebration, and the new police uniform debuted in October. The change was important, but it was important to retain some of the tradition of the Department. You will see our vehicles have remained white in color and still possess the Township Seal, but now boast a bolder color scheme with our Township website displayed on the bumper. Our uniforms still remain traditional in style but with a new color and patch that still contain the Township Seal. We have heard a lot of positive feedback and appreciate it. If you have not seen them yet, we hope you like the change as much as we do.



*Police Officer Matt Cover dressed in new Police Uniform standing next to the new Police vehicle decal design.*



*Chairwoman of the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors, Kandy Heckman, presents owner of Rainbow Arts and Crafts, Wayne Stem with a certificate recognizing Rainbow Arts and Crafts for thirty years of business in East Norriton Township.*

## Rainbow Arts and Crafts Celebrates 30 Years in East Norriton Township

The East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors presented Wayne Stem, owner of Rainbow Arts and Crafts with a certificate in recognition and appreciation of celebrating 30 years of business in East Norriton Township at the Board of Supervisors monthly meeting on October 25th, 2011. The family business actually started in the 1940's by Wayne's grandfather Edgar Stem, as Montgomery County Farm Equipment and later as Edgar Stem Co. His business repaired and sold farm, lawn and garden equipment and household appliances. Wayne's mother, Sandy, started Rainbow Arts and Crafts in October of 1981. Many of our residents, as well as, residents of many of the surrounding communities have come to rely on their store for their arts and crafts needs. The Board of Supervisors, staff and citizens of East Norriton Township wishes them many more years of success as a business in East Norriton Township.

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# Jefferson Imaging Center Celebrates Grand Opening

*Jim Serratore, Supervisor East Norriton Township (far left) and Kandy Heckman, Chairwoman of the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors (far right) attend the ribbon cutting of the new Jefferson Imaging Center on Germantown Pike at the former Bucca-DeBeppo building on October 6th, 2011.*



## 2011 TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES AND TIMES

Board of Supervisors . . . 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.  
(Except November 15th and December 13th)

Zoning Hearing Board . . . . . Second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.  
(Except Wed., December 14th)

Planning Commission . . . . . Third Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Historical Advisory Commission . . . Fourth Monday every other  
month (Jan. – Nov.) at 6:30 p.m.

All meetings are held at the Municipal Building,  
2501 Stanbridge Street, East Norriton, PA 19401-1616 USA

Watch the web site for upcoming information:

**WEB SITE: EASTNORRITONTWP.ORG**

Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Please contact  
the Township Administration Building for exact times and dates.  
**610-275-2800**

**The Board of Supervisors will announce the meeting dates  
and times for 2012 at the Reorganization Meeting on  
Tuesday, January 3rd, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.**

*Persons with a disability who wish to attend any of the above meet-  
ings and require an auxiliary aid, service or other accommodation to  
participate in the meeting, please contact East Norriton Township's  
ADA Coordinator at 610-275-2800.*

## 2011 EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Chairwoman:** Kandy Heckman

**Vice-Chairman:** Donald J. Gracia

#### **Supervisors:**

Harris A. Dainoff  
James J. Serratore III  
John A. Zurzola

#### **Township Manager/ Treasurer and Secretary:**

Donald D. Delamater

#### **Assistant Township Manager/ Director of Parks & Recreation:**

Larry L. Brown

#### **Police Chief/ Director of Public Safety:**

Karyl Kates

#### **Director of Code Enforcement/ Zoning Officer:**

Bryan Bortnichak

#### **Public Works Director:**

Douglas Jones

#### **Building Inspector:**

Code Inspections, Inc.

#### **Fire Marshal:**

Police Sgt. David Boyer

#### **Assistant Fire Marshal:**

Frank Ludwig

#### **Finance Director:**

Eric Traub

#### **Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation:**

Jane C. Delaney

#### **Code Enforcement Officers:**

John Altomari

Joseph Perkins

#### **Fire Chief:**

James Staufenberg

#### **Consulting Engineers:**

Stuart L. Rosenthal, P.E.

Timothy Woodrow, P.E.

#### **Township Solicitor:**

Christen G. Pionzio Esq.

#### **Township Planner:**

E. Van Rieker, AICP

#### **Township Actuary:**

Conrad M. Siegel Inc.

# Vacancies on Township Boards and Commissions

East Norriton Township will have a number of vacancies available on the various Boards and Commissions, beginning with the New Year. The Board of Supervisors will be making appointments to the Zoning Hearing Board, Planning Commission, the Historical Advisory Commission, the Industrial Development Authority, Vacancy Board, East Norriton-Plymouth-Whitpain Joint Sewer Authority and the Traffic Advisory Committee. The terms on the appointments vary and individuals serve on an **honorary** basis. There is customarily only one evening meeting per month held at the township building.

Individuals who are interested in serving their community in any of the above capacities are encouraged to send a brief resume to the following. Please indicate in your letter of introduction, which Board or Commission may be of interest to you.

Donald D. Delamater, Township Manager  
East Norriton Township  
2501 Stanbridge Street  
East Norriton, PA 19401-1616  
PHONE: 610-275-2800  
FAX: 610-277-1879

## 2011 Distinguished Citizen Award

The Board of Supervisors will also be accepting nominations for **The 2011 Distinguished Citizen Award**. Applications are available at The Township Building during regular hours of service and must be received at the Township by December 30th, 2011. The award will be presented at the Regular Board of Supervisor's meeting in early 2012.

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Thank you for your consideration. For more information, please call 610-275-2800.

## EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP BUILDING TO BE CLOSED FOR UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

The East Norriton Township Municipal Building will be closed on the following dates in observance of the remaining holidays during 2011 and the beginning of 2012. The Police Department will continue to operate twenty-four (24) hours per day, however, the Police Administrative Offices will also be closed for the following holidays.

- Thursday, November 24th, 2011 . . . . . Thanksgiving
- Friday, November 25th, 2011 . . . . . Day after Thanksgiving
- Monday, December 26th, 2011 . . . . . Christmas
- Monday, January 2nd, 2012. . . . . New Year's
- Monday, January 16th, 2012 . . . . . Dr. Martin Luther King Birthday
- Monday February 20th, 2012 . . . . . Presidents' Day

## SIGN-UP FOR E-NEWSLETTERS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

East Norriton Township is continuing to take an e-mail list for residents who would like to receive their township newsletters and other important township information sent via e-mail.

By signing up for this service, you will receive the three newsletters each year plus reminders about upcoming special events such as Community Day, Christmas Parade, the Easter Egg Hunt, as well as, important information on upcoming road work, road closures, important township meetings, and other important information that affects the residents of East Norriton Township.

To be included in this list please e-mail the following information to **info@eastnorritontwp.org**. Once you are signed up for this list and go paperless, you will be removed from our regular mailing list saving tax dollars and impacting our environment.

Newsletter E-Mail List

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

## Stormwater Projects & Repairs

### *Potshop Road (in front of Gill Quarries)*

Shortly after Hurricane Irene hit in late August, a sinkhole developed in Potshop Road. Upon further investigation, we found the sinkhole to be directly over a corrugated metal storm pipe that had deteriorated.



These types of pipes typically rust along the bottom where the water runs and during significant storms, water gets outside of the pipe and washes away the surrounding stone or soil creating sinkholes. That is what happened here.



Township personnel temporarily repaired the sinkhole until RAM Construction could mobilize to replace the old pipe with new 30" diameter plastic pipe. In removing the old pipe, we found that an 8" gas main was in conflict. The original pipe was installed with a "dip" in it to go under the gas main. PECO Gas lowered their pipe about 5' to allow for proper installation of the new storm pipe. In total approximately 360' of 30" plastic pipe was installed along Potshop Road from Schultz Road to the stream.

### *Meadowbrook Road Pipe Replacement*

This is another location where the bottom of a corrugated metal pipe (CMP) had rusted away and allowed



stormwater to get outside of the pipe and wash away surrounding soil creating sinkholes and flooding concerns for adjacent property owners. This project involved replacing 200' of CMP with 42" plastic pipe from an existing headwall through an easement to the inlet in the street. Due to the size of the pipe and the equipment needs for the project, RAM construction performed the work with assistance from Township personnel.



At this location, there are 2 pipes running side-by-side. The new plastic pipe will be lowered and normal flows diverted into this pipe. The other CMP will be used for high flow conditions, which should preserve its integrity.

### *Hidden Ridge Stormwater Basin Outlet (Green Ridge Drive)*

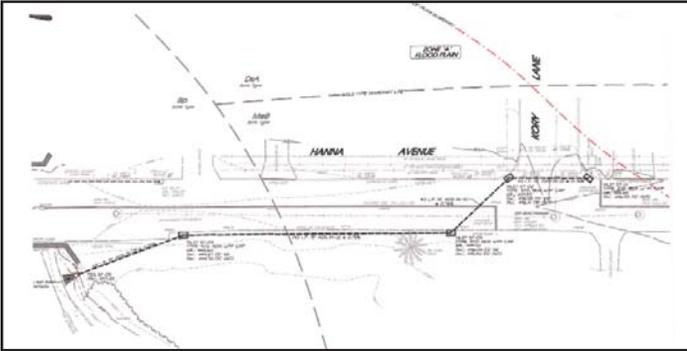
In response to concerns that the basin outlet was not functioning properly, Township personnel investigated and found that the outlet pipe for the basin was blocked or clogged. The basin outlet was designed to discharge into a stone filtration bed that over the 10-plus years of operation had become clogged with sediment and debris.



RAM Construction was brought in to find the end of the existing pipe and extend it by about 35' to allow proper function of the basin.

## Yard Waste Reminders

### Hannah Avenue & Kory Lane



During the winter months Highway Department personnel deal with icy conditions throughout the Township. The severity of these problems varies from year to year and from location to location. What we all see as we drive down the street is someone's sump pump discharging water onto the street and creating the ice. What we don't see is the high groundwater levels, the poorly draining and saturated soils, and the historic rainfall amounts we've received this year. All of these conditions create the scenario where a property owner discharges their sump pump away from the house to protect their basement, their investment.



One such location is at the intersection of Hannah and Kory where icy conditions occur at a 3-way intersection. To deal with this problem, Township personnel installed a series of storm-water inlets and 15" plastic pipe to convey surface waters from the intersection across Hannah Avenue and down to the East Branch of Stony Creek. We've also made provisions that will allow adjacent property owners to connect any sump pump discharges directly into the stormwater inlets.

This project is part of our goal to try and address some of the minor stormwater issues throughout the Township. In 2010 we completed a similar project on Hazelton Street. We are proposing other improvements as part of our 2012 budget. As resources allow, we will continue to evaluate and prioritize similar projects for completion in future years.

Thanks to you, our residents, the Yard Waste Collection Program has been a tremendous success and continues to be a popular service offered by the Township. To assist both you and our collection crew, the program reminders below are intended to eliminate any confusion as to how the program operates. Please bear in mind that these collections are for *trimmed* branches, limbs, shrubbery and garden residue. Decaying or rotted branches or wood cause problems with our equipment and cannot be collected. Thank you for your continued compliance with these guidelines.

- Collections take place on the **3rd Thursday of each month**. Please make sure you check your calendar for the dates.
- **This is a scheduled service.** Residents must call the Township at 610-275-2800 x111 to schedule collection **at least 7 days in advance** to be placed on the collection list.
- **Includes:** shrubbery, branches, limbs and garden residue.
- **Not included:** stumps, weeds, grass, leaves and old firewood.
- **Placement:** within 5 ft. of curb (not in the street). Please do not block sidewalks.
- **Limits:** bundles – max 2 ft. dia. and/or 40 lbs.; individual branches – max 5 in. dia.
- **Quantity limits:** 2 cubic yards per property (approx. ten 32-gallon cans or six bundles).
- **Bundles:** smaller branches must be bundled. Bundled branches should be at least 3 ft. long. Branches and twigs that cannot be bundled must be placed in cans.
- **Large Branches:** Larger branches (8-10ft. long) do not have to be bundled. Larger branches feed easily into chipper. No need to cut up. Just place cut end towards the street.
- **DO NOT:** use plastic bags, heavy rope or wire (string or twine only) or bundle small branches/twigs (less than 2 ft. long) as all of these practices "jam" the chipper and will not be collected.

Please contact the Township with questions regarding this program or any other Township services.

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# MESSAGE FROM THE NORRITON FIRE ENGINE COMPANY

*Winter holidays are a time for families and friends to get together. But that also means a greater risk for fire. Following a few simple tips will ensure a happy and fire-safe holiday season.*

## Holiday Entertaining

- Test your smoke alarms and tell guests about your home fire escape plan.
- Keep children and pets away from lit candles.
- Keep matches and lighters up high in a locked cabinet.
- Stay in the kitchen when cooking on the stovetop.
- Ask smokers to smoke outside. Remind smokers to keep their smoking materials with them so young children do not touch them.
- Provide large, deep ashtrays for smokers. Wet cigarette butts with water before discarding.

## Other Winter Fire Safety Tips

- Never use a range or an oven as a supplemental heating device. Not only is it a safety hazard, it can be a source of potentially toxic fumes.
- If you use an electric heater, be sure not to overload the circuit. Only use extension cords which have the necessary rating to carry an amp load. **TIP:** Choose an extension cord the same size or larger than the appliance electrical cord.
- Avoid using electrical space heaters in bathrooms or other areas where they may come in contact with water.

- Frozen water pipes? Never try to thaw them with a blow torch or other open flame, otherwise the pipe could conduct the heat and ignite the wall structure inside the wall space. Use hot water for thawing or a device, like a hand-held dryer, evaluated by a nationally recognized laboratory such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL).
- If windows are used as emergency exits in your home, practice using them in the event fire should strike. Be sure that all the windows open easily. Home escape ladders are recommended.
- If there is a fire hydrant near your home you can assist the fire department by keeping the hydrant clear of snow so in the event it is needed, it can be located.
- Be sure every level of your home has a working smoke alarm, and be sure to check and clean it on a monthly basis.
- Never discard hot ashes inside or near the home. Place them in a metal container outside and well away from the house.
- Plan and practice a home escape plan with your family.

Contact the NORRITON FIRE ENGINE COMPANY – **610-279-3456** or e-mail – **president@nfec61.org** for advice if you have a question on home fire safety.

**PLEASE WATCH FOR OUR TOY DRIVE FOR CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA. JUST BRING A NEW TOY TO EITHER FIRE STATION FOR DROP OFF. WATCH FOR DATES AND TIMES.**

**East Norriton Township Public Works Department** *(continued from page 5)*

## Christmas Tree Collections

For the convenience of our residents the Township has scheduled 2 separate dates, **Tuesday January 3rd and Monday January 9th**, for the collection of Christmas Trees. Please mark your calendars. Trees will be picked up Township wide on both of these days so there is no need to call in advance to schedule your collection. Please understand that due to the volume of trees and/or weather conditions, collections may not be completed in one day.

Trees must be placed curbside by 6 a.m. of the collection day. Because the trees are chipped on-site, they must not contain any ornaments, lights, garland, wires or any other materials that may cause damage to the chipping equipment. Please adhere to these guidelines to ensure timely collection.

Any questions or concerns should be directed to the Township. Thank you for your cooperation and Happy Holidays from the Public Works Department.



## Fire Prevention Week Highlights

Fire Prevention Week kicked off on October 9, 2011 with this year's slogan being **"It's Fire Prevention Week. Protect your Family from Fire!"** The Norriton Fire Engine Company and its members in conjunction with the East Norriton Township Fire Marshal's Office went around during the week and held fire drills at all schools, nursing homes, hospitals and day cares within the Township. The Fire Company also taught all students the proper way to perform "STOP, DROP AND ROLL" and allowed a few teachers from each school a special ride on the new Tower Ladder. Fire prevention may only be practiced one week in the year but we would like to encourage our residents and business owners to practice it every day. Remember to test your smoke alarms once a month and change the batteries at least once a year.

# MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE MARSHAL

The holiday season is upon us. This is a time of joy but there is also an element of danger. To keep your holiday season joyful, we would like to take a few moments to discuss important fire safety tips. Christmas along with Hanukkah is undoubtedly the highlight of the holiday season. Gatherings of people, food, drink, candles, decorations and the fireplace are all part of these events. New Year's comes right around the corner and we are all exhausted. The issue of our personal and loved ones safety tends to take a back seat to all of this celebration. Holiday safety should be a part of your planning when preparing for these festive days. Below are a few suggestions to make your holiday season remembered for its joyfulness and not for its tragedy.

## *We offer to you a few suggestions:*

- Be sure to test your smoke alarms.
- Clean the oven and stove prior to the holiday. Often the extra load on the appliances causes a fire due to the high use and extra grease build up.
- Keep kitchen clutter away from the stove and oven.
- Be extra careful with matches and candles. Candles should be kept away from combustibles and never left unattended. Keep them away from pets and children.
- Keep decorations away from sources of heat such as open flames, electric heaters and exposed electric bulbs.
- Do not overload electric outlets. Inspect electric cords and light sets. **IF IN DOUBT-THROW THEM OUT!**
- Have chimneys inspected for leaks and be sure to have the flue open before using.
- Use caution if using kerosene heaters and don't leave them unattended when using.



## *Concerning Fireplaces:*

- Be sure the opening is covered with a sturdy metal screen or heat tempered glass doors.
- Use caution when hanging those holiday items around the fireplace when a cozy fire is going in the fireplace.

## *Holiday Lights:*

- Check all indoor and outdoor lights for frayed cords, replace if necessary.
- Never use lights that have an empty socket.
- Lights should not touch combustible materials.
- Use only outdoor lights for "outdoors".
- Turn off all Holiday lights, prior to leaving your home or going to bed.
- Avoid using extension cords, but if you do follow instructions carefully.
- Do not overload electrical circuits, such as wall outlets and extension cords.

## *Holiday Trees (live or fresh cut):*

- Keep your Holiday tree in a sturdy base filled with water and check the level daily.
- Make a fresh cut on the trunk of your tree and place in a sturdy holder.
- Place the tree away from heat sources, such as fireplaces and heaters.
- Do not use candles on or near the tree.
- Safely dispose of your tree before it becomes dangerously dry and never burn tree or tree parts in your fireplace.

## *Space Heaters:*

- Keep away from curtains, bedspreads and furniture.
- Keep a 36 inch clearance around the space heater.
- Make sure children know they can get burned if they touch one.

## *Winter Weather:*

- Have a "Shelter In Place Plan".
- Keep your sidewalks clear of ice & snow.
- Remember not to park on roadways during any accumulation of snow.
- Make sure your address number is clearly visible from the street.
- Help our emergency services get to the emergencies.

# East Norriton Township Holds 2nd Annual Shredding Event

East Norriton Township held its 2nd Annual Shredding Event on Saturday, October 8th at the Public Works Garage from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The Township brought in Richter’s Mobile Shredding truck for residents to dispose of unwanted personal and confidential items by shredding them into the truck. Several hundred residents participated in this year’s program to properly dispose of items which contained confidential or personal material.



Due to the popularity of this program it will be continued and held in again in October of 2012. Plan to bring your unwanted and confidential items to the Public Works garage again next year to dispose of these items in a safe and secure manner.

Watch for the Spring/Summer Newsletter as we plan to hold an electronic recycling program here at the Township Building. This program will allow to you dispose of almost anything that has an electric cord.

## EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Police . . . . . 911  
 Non-emergency . . . . 610-272-0747 or 610-275-1222  
 Fire. . . . . 911  
 Business Phone . . . . . 610-279-3456  
 Ambulance . . . . . 911

### Montgomery County

Radio Room . . . . . 610-275-1222

### PECO Emergency Power

Outage Emergency . . . . . 800-841-4141

### East Norriton Township

Municipal Building. . . . . 610-275-2800  
 Fax. . . . . 610-277-1879  
 e-mail . . . . . info@eastnorritontwp.org

### Hospitals

Montgomery . . . . . 610-270-2000  
 Mercy Suburban . . . . . 610-278-2000  
 Poison Control . . . . . 215-386-2100

### PA Game Commission

Regional office . . . . 610-926-3136 or 610-926-3137  
 Fax . . . . . 610-926-8835

## EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP MAILBOX POLICY DURING SNOW PLOWING

*(Approved by the Board of Supervisors on October 23, 2007)*

### Mailboxes:

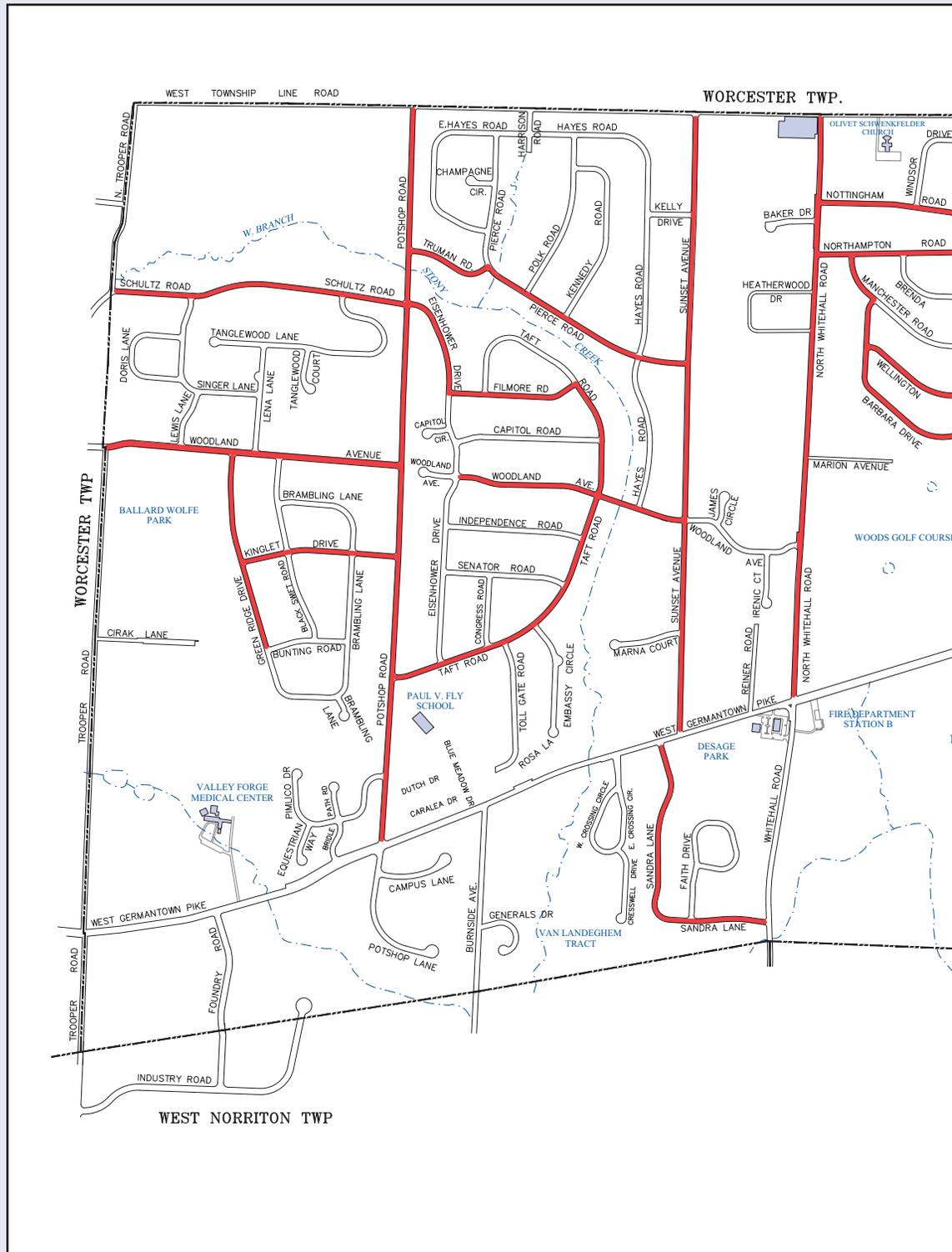
- Any installation within the township’s road’s right of way, including mailboxes or parked cars during a declared snow emergency, is placed there at the owner’s risk.
- Therefore, owners are encouraged to install mailboxes at the minimum usable distance from the edge of the roadway. Posts should be checked for deterioration to reduce the possibility that the weight of the plowed snow may simply break or push the post over.
- East Norriton Township shall not repair or replace mailboxes or posts damaged by the force or placement of snow.

# Parking Regulations During Snow Events

Snow plowing on all township roads begins after 2 inches of snow has fallen. If an accumulation of snow is in the forecast, be on the safe side, and remove your cars from the street. Anytime snow plows are dispatched during a snow storm, parking is prohibited on all township roads except in areas where no off street parking is available. In those areas where there is no off street parking available, all motor vehicles shall be parked on the even side of the street on even numbered calendar days, and on the odd side of the street on odd numbered calendar days. Please note parking in cul-de-sacs during snow storms is also prohibited. Any vehicles parked on the street during a snow storm may be towed and fined.

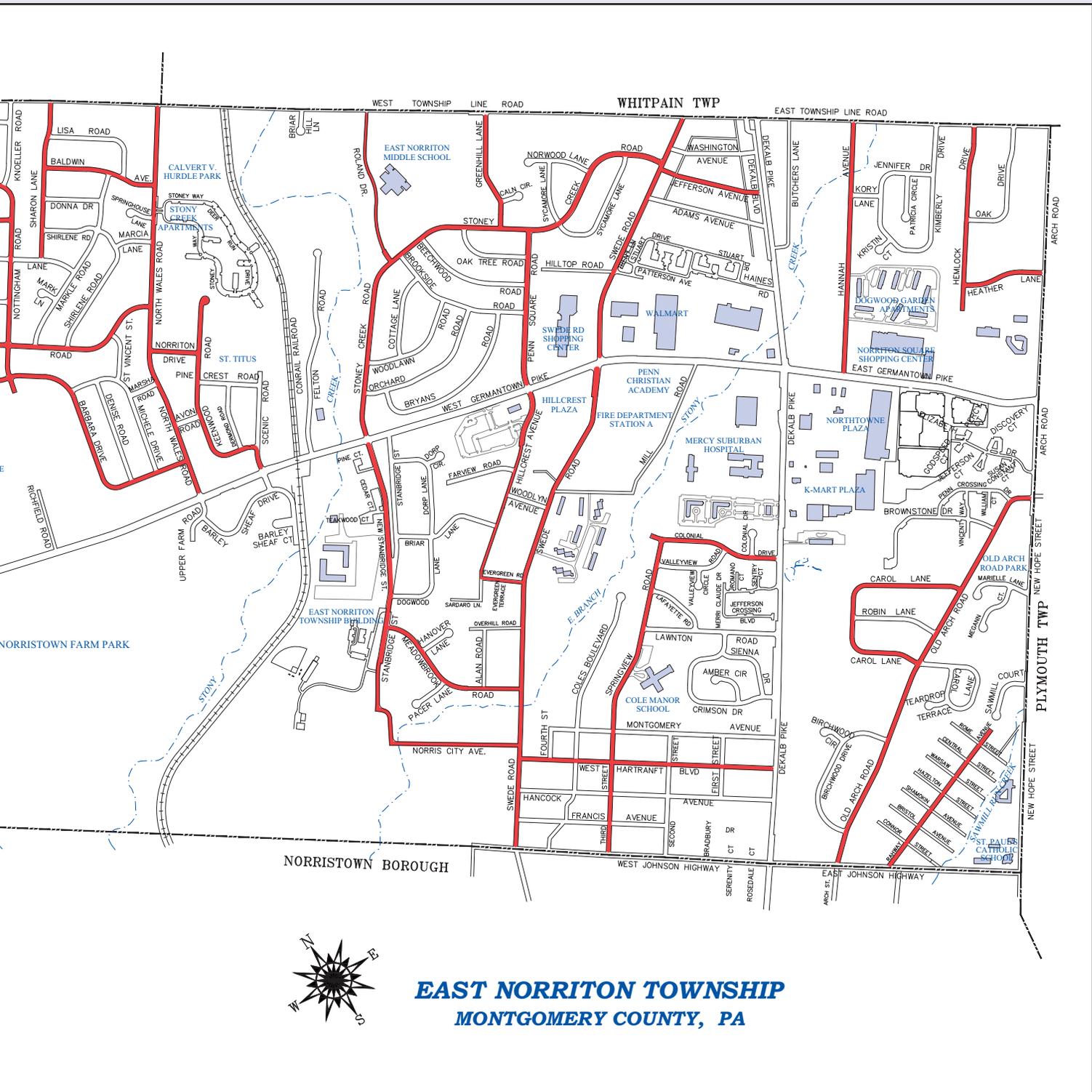
The Township's snow removal procedure calls for snow emergency routes to be salted and cindered first. This is to ensure that all developments in the township can be accessed by emergency vehicles (fire, police, and ambulance). During heavier snow storms, snow emergency roads will be completely cleared the entire cartway prior to equipment starting to plow on secondary roads. All snow emergency roads are shown in red on the above map.

Should you have a non-medical emergency during a snow storm, please contact the East Norriton Township



Police Department at 610-272-0748. For medical emergencies, please dial 911.

Property owners are reminded that sidewalks are required to have at least a 30 inch path cleared within 24 hours after a snow. Residents are also reminded not to throw snow from your sidewalks and driveway onto the roads. **Also, please be aware that the Snow Ordinance has**



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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA**

been amended to include: Sidewalks or Township right-of-ways which means if any owner, agent, occupant of property, or person in charge of the property allows snow to be pushed, plowed, thrown or shoveled onto a right-of-way or sidewalk they will be subject to a fine. Throwing snow onto a roadway or township right-of-way is a violation of township ordinance and punishable with up to a \$600.00 fine. Your cooperation is vital to keep

snow and debris off the roadway and allow emergency vehicles to get to the emergency locations. Please check your mail boxes to make sure it is sound and at least 6" behind the face of the curb. Mailboxes which hang out past the curb might be damaged during snow plowing operations. East Norriton Township and the Norriton Fire Department also request that all fire hydrants that are located in front of your home also be cleared of snow.

## *Points to Remember:*

- 1) ROADWAYS** – Roads become slippery when covered with snow, sleet and freezing rain. Allow extra distance (at least six to eight second following distances) between your car and the car ahead. Check your tires and winterize your car now. Be prepared.
- 2) TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE FOR SNOW REMOVAL AND PARKING** – Please remember to remove your car from Township roadways when it's snowing or when snow is in the forecast. The ordinance requires cars to be off the roadway during ANY snow. This allows the Township road crews to clear the roads of snow. Any vehicle parked after crews are out will be ticketed and possibly towed. **ALSO** please be aware that the Ordinance has been amended to include: Sidewalks or Township right-of-ways which means if any owner, agent, occupant of property, or person in charge of the property allows snow to be pushed, plowed, thrown or shoveled onto a right-of-way or sidewalk they will be subject to a fine.
- 3) HOLIDAY SAFETY** – Take the time to safeguard your valuables during the busy Holiday Season. Guard your personal information and credit cards. Place Holiday purchases and packages in the trunk of your vehicle and out of sight of would be thieves.

The East Norriton Township Police Department had a busy late Summer/Fall season that included cooperation with the Fire Department in a wonderful Community Day event which culminated in a special 9-11 remembrance ceremony with Chief Karyl Kates acting as the Master of Ceremony. Following the memorial was a grand fireworks display that seems to outdo itself every year. While events like this are fun, the Police and Fire Departments utilize them as cooperative training incidents to provide the residents of East Norriton with the best possible emergency management service available.

Officer Karl Fischer, the East Norriton School Resource Officer, reported back to East Norriton Middle School after it reopened following the summer break. Karl provides the students with a positive role model and helps the School's staff with issues requiring police intervention. He began an after school basketball program that affords him the opportunity to interact with the students in an informal setting which helps build rapport between Officers and Students.



*Pictured from left Sergeant Craig Walters, Sergeant Matt Brannen, and Officer Michael Henricks were recognized with a unit commendation at the September monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors. Missing at time of photograph that was also part of the unit commendation was Officer Anthony Caso.*

Sergeant Craig Walters, Sergeant Matt Brannen, Officer Anthony Caso, & Officer Michael Henricks were recognized at the September monthly meeting for intelligent, meritorious performance and duty that led to the arrest of an armed subject in East Norriton Township on July 31, 2011. The Officers responded to a distress call and were able to free the victim from the actor who was wielding a gun. The Officers, while relying on their training and experience, acted quickly and without hesitation which resulted in the successful resolution of a volatile situation.

In October we had mock assessments for our re-accreditation. The practice run went well with only minor adjustments needed. This was a team effort let by Sgt. Timothy Brennan under the watchful eye of Chief Karyl Kates, who began this program six years ago. We are still putting some polish on our presentation but are eager for our final assessment in November. Accreditation is essential in providing the quality of service our residents have come to expect. So, congratulations and thank you to the men and women that participated in preparing for this process. It was a job well done.

Congratulations! Sergeant Matthew Brannen reached his 10th Anniversary with East Norriton Township Police Department.

## **POLICE PHONE NUMBERS**

**Emergency: 9-1-1 • Non-Emergencies: 610-272-0747**

# WINTER RECREATION PROGRAMS 2011/2012

## BOYS BASKETBALL LEAGUE

8-18 yr. olds

AT: East Norriton Middle School

ON: Saturdays – 8-10 & 11-13 yr. olds

Thursday evenings – 14-16 yr. olds

Wednesday evenings – 17-18 yr. olds

FEE: \$55 residents, \$65 non-residents

Basketball league for East Norriton residents 8-18 yrs. old. Registrant must be 8 by January 1st, 2012. Age for all other players is as of October 1, 2011. Deadline for East Norriton residents only November 25, 2011. Non-residents and late resident registrations accepted on a space availability basis as of November 28, 2011. League play begins in early January. Proof of age required for all new participants.

## INSTRUCTIONAL REFEREE CLINIC

16 yrs. & up

Designed for anyone who is interested in refereeing in our recreational Boys' Basketball League. This is a free clinic that will offer the basics needed to referee a recreational basketball game. The clinic will be held in mid-December. Please notify the Recreation Office by Friday, December 2nd to book your spot.

## PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Larry L. Brown, *Director*

Jane C. Delaney, *Assistant Director*

Heather Schrack,

*Program Coordinator*

2501 Stanbridge Street

East Norriton, PA 19401-1616

Phone: 610-275-2800

Fax: 610-277-1879

Website: eastnorritontwp.org

Email: info@eastnorritontwp.org

**Office Hours:**

8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday to Friday

*All East Norriton residents will be given first preference with space availability in all programs, trips, and special events.*

## YOUTH BASKETBALL CLINIC

6-7 yr. olds

AT: Paul Fly School Gym

ON: Friday afternoons beginning

January 20th for 6 weeks

TIMES: 4-5 p.m. or 5-6 p.m.

FEE: \$25 per child

Basic introductory clinic to basketball utilizing 8 ft. baskets. Fundamentals of shooting, dribbling, and passing taught prior to fun games played for remainder of weeks. Class limited to 15 participants in each session.

**Registration deadline January 13th.**

## FOUL SHOOTING CONTEST

Boys & Girls 8-18 yrs. old

AT: East Norriton Middle School Gym

ON: Monday, January 30th

TIMES: 6:45 p.m. – 8-10 yr. olds

7:00 p.m. – 11-13 yr. olds

7:30 p.m. – 14-16 yr. olds

7:30 p.m. – 17-18 yr. olds

Boys and girls will each receive 15 shots; best score determines winner. Awards given to top three male and female shooters in each age group. Sign-up prior to your age group time at gym night of event.

## WINTER BASEBALL CLINIC

9-18 yr. olds

AT: East Norriton Middle School

(25 max./session)

ON: Monday evening beginning

February 27th for 5 weeks

TIMES: 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

FEE: \$10 per resident,

\$15 for non-resident

Three classes of baseball instruction for the serious player of the game. Hitting, fielding, pitching, and throwing skills will be covered by Dr. Frank Bishop and other qualified instructors. Resident only registration accepted until February 10th. First-come, first-served registrations from February 13th – 17th based on space availability. 9-10 yr. olds will meet



from 6-7 p.m., 11-12 yr. olds will be from 7- 8 p.m. and 13-18 yr. olds will meet from 8 – 9:30 p.m.

## KARATE

Beginners 5-12 yrs. olds & 13 yrs. – Adults

AT: Paul Fly School Gym

ON: Monday evenings beginning January 9th for 6 weeks

TIMES: 5-12 yr. olds – 6-7 p.m., 13 yrs. to Adults – 7-8 p.m.

FEE: \$35 per participant for 6 weeks

A basic introductory of TaeKwon-Do style karate. The class teaches block techniques and self-defense; while teaching self-discipline and motivation; while having fun and utilizing games. Instructor Master Harry Plichta, 7th degree black belt. Register at first class or at the Parks and Recreation Office prior to December 30th.

## EAST NORRITON KARATE CLUB

5-12 yrs. olds & 13 yrs. – Adults

AT: Paul Fly School

ON: Monday and Wednesday evenings beginning January 4th

TIMES: Children 5-12 yrs. old – 6-7 p.m., Adults 13 & up – 7-8 p.m.

FEE: \$25 per person per month

An internationally certified TaeKwon-do school. The classes cover all aspects of this defensive art, with opportunities to advance to black belt. The classes are open to beginners through advanced, male or female. Instructor Master Harry Plichta, 6th degree black belt. Sign up at first class.

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## TAI CHI

16 yrs. & up

AT: Paul Fly School

ON: Wednesday evenings beginning January 11th for 6 weeks (minimum to run class 15 participants)

TIME: 8-8:45 p.m.

FEE: \$50 per person

An introduction to the Chinese Martial Art of Tai Chi. Many health benefits can be gained using the slow calming fluid motion and deep breathing exercises. Tai Chi is a healthy workout using the patterns and its self defense movements. Loose clothing and light footwear should be worn. Please call the Recreation office by January 6th to reserve your space.

## SOUL LINE DANCING

AT: East Norriton Middle School Multi-purpose Room

ON: Wednesday evenings beginning January 11th for 6 weeks

TIME: 6:30 – 8 p.m.

FEE: \$40 per person

Come out and learn to dance to your favorite music from Motown. You will learn many of the old and new line dances that will make you the hit of the party. *Deadline to register is Friday, January 6th.*

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

### SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION

All activities held in schools are **canceled** when:

- Schools are closed due to inclement weather
- Early dismissal occurs due to inclement weather
- Schools are closed for holidays (unless otherwise noted on schedule)
- Special school events are being held in the school

Any questions call our office at 610-275-2800 and push 4 for Parks and Recreation.

**Norristown Area School District school closing number is 304.**

## HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

### 19TH ANNUAL EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP PARADE AT HILLCREST PLAZA

ON: Saturday, December 3rd (Rain date Sunday, December 4th)

Departs from the East Norriton Middle School, Roland Drive at 11 a.m. Parade will enter onto Stony Creek Road and then onto Germantown Pike and proceed to Hillcrest Shopping Center. Bring the kids out to view the many bands, floats, fire trucks, scout groups, Santa Claus and much more. Line the parade route to get a great view of this Holiday event, and then join us at Hillcrest Plaza for an afternoon of fun activities following the parade. Proceeds from the event will be donated to Montco SAAC (Senior Adult Activity Center).

### RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

ON: Thursday, December 8th and Tuesday December 13th

FEE: \$105 per person which includes round trip transportation and Front Mezzanine/Orchestra seats for the 2 p.m. matinee show.

Bus will leave the Parks and Recreation Offices at 7:45 a.m. and return at approximately 6:30 p.m. free time is available for shopping, sight-seeing and lunch on your own. Show is 2 p.m. with door opening at 1 p.m. Several seats still remain for each of these very popular trips. Full payment is due at this time. No dinner stop is planned for these trips.

### HOLIDAY HOME DECORATING CONTEST

Once again this year, our committee will be traveling throughout the neighborhoods to judge the many beautifully decorated homes in our Township during this upcoming Holiday Season. If you want to be included in this year's event, please call our office at 610-275-2800 no later than December 9th and leave your name and address. Only homes nominated will be judged so be sure to call in your name and address soon. **Houses will be judged on Saturday, December 17th or Sunday, December 18th from 6-9 p.m. so leave your lights on.**

### SANTA VISITS THE NEIGHBORHOOD

The Parks and Recreation Department in cooperation with the Norriton Fire Engine Company will once again be bringing Santa to the neighborhoods of East Norriton via fire truck. Mark the date **Saturday, December 17th beginning around 1 p.m.** (In the case of inclement weather, Santa will be around on December 18th.) Tell the kids to keep their eyes and ears open for one of their last chances to see Santa prior to his visit on Christmas eve.

### DISNEY ON ICE TRIP: "Dare to Dream"

ON: Thursday, December 29th

FEE: \$40 per person includes round trip school bus transportation and a lower level seat. 45 lower level seats have been purchased for this show at the Wells Fargo Center.

Bus departs from the Parks and Recreation Office at 9:15 a.m. for the 11 a.m. show. Limited seats are available and will be sold on a first-come, first served basis. Children must be 4 or older to ride the bus.

## RELAXATION YOGA FOR ADULTS

16 yrs. & up

AT: East Norriton Middle School Multi-purpose Room

ON: Monday evenings beginning January 9th for 6 weeks

TIME: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

FEE: \$50 per adult

Learn to practice Yoga skills that unravel tension within the body and mind. This class is designed for anyone looking for a gentle yoga class, or seeking deep relaxation techniques. Please dress comfortably and bring your own mat. **Deadline to register is Friday, December 30th.**

## ZUMBA

AT: East Norriton Middle School Multi-purpose Room

ON: Tuesday evenings beginning January 10th for 8 weeks

TIME: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

FEE: \$45 per person

Program is an energizing, fun Latin fitness workout. The class is designed for all fitness levels. **Deadline to register is Friday, December 30th.**

## VIVA MAT PILATES

13 yrs. & up

AT: Marshall Street Elementary School Gym

ON: Monday evenings beginning January 23rd for 9 weeks

TIME: 6-7 p.m.

FEE: \$99 per person

Transform flab into sculpted muscle and energize your life! Non-jarring exercises are tailored to fit each student's body and posture. Perfect for men and women, ages 13 and older, and all fitness levels. Wear comfortable attire. Bring an exercise mat, large towel, and medium or regular strength Pilates band (visit [www.vivapilates.net](http://www.vivapilates.net) for information about purchasing band). No refunds after first class. For more information, call 856-751-0095.



## BABY SITTING FOR A JOB

Suggested for 11-13 yr. olds

AT: East Norriton Middle School Multi-purpose Room

ON: Monday evenings beginning February 27th for 8 weeks

TIME: 6:30 – 7:45 p.m.

FEE: \$20 per person

Program will teach youths the proper skills needed to be a responsible baby-sitter. Class is taught by a certified Red Cross Instructor. Class is limited to first 12 registrants. **Deadline to register is Friday, February 10th.**

## EAST NORRITON LITTLE LEAGUE SIGN-UP

5-15 yr. olds

We encourage registrations online. Registrations online are available from November 14th to January 27th. For more information check out ENLL web site at [www.enlitttleleague.com](http://www.enlitttleleague.com)

## NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS

When you register for any of our recreation programs, don't wait by the phone or camp out by your mailbox.

### THE ONLY TIME YOU WILL HEAR FROM US IS:

- If a class is full
- If a class is canceled
- If there is a change in the time or day

So if it's almost time for your class to begin, and you haven't heard from our friendly staff, that's good news.

**IT MEANS YOUR IN!**

## YOU SNOOZE... YOU LOSE

Nothing cancels a good program quicker than waiting until the last minute to register. If there are not enough registrations by the specified deadline, the program you want could be canceled! Coming in on the day the program begins won't resurrect it, so please register early. For a status of a program or information about a possibility of a cancellation call 610-275-2800 and press 4 for Parks and Recreation.

## DISCOUNT SKI AREA LIFT TICKET SALES



Before heading to the slopes this year, call the Recreation Office at 610-275-2800 to check out the discounts available on lift tickets for many of the area ski areas. These are actually vouchers which can be turned in for a lift ticket at the slopes. They are not discount coupons. Vouchers are good the entire ski season for 2011-2012. Ski areas participating include The Big Two, (Jack Frost and Big Boulder) Blue Mt., Camelback, Elk, Bear Creek, Shawnee and Montage. Please call ahead to find out exact cost and set up a time for picking up your tickets.

## BIKE HELMETS FOR SALE

The Parks and Recreation Department is selling bike helmets at the Parks and Recreation Office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at a discounted price. These helmets are CPSC and SNELL certified. Helmets are being sold to promote bicycle safety and help in compliance with the state law which requires all bike riders under the age of 12 to wear helmets. Helmets cost \$12 each.

## ENGAA SOFTBALL

### Girls 5-15 yr. olds

The East Norriton Girls Athletic Association (ENGAA) will be holding registrations for the 2012 softball season.

**Registrations forms will be distributed through the schools, Township Building and are available to download at [www.engaa.net](http://www.engaa.net)**

Registrations will also be accepted at the East Norriton Township Municipal Building and Parks and Recreation Office, Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. until January 20th, 2012 or may be mailed to:

ENGAA  
651 Township Line Rd  
P.O. Box 1643  
Blue Bell, Pa 19422-1643

FEES: 5-6 years old – \$65, 7-8 years old – \$65, 9-10 years old – \$75, 11-16 years old – \$85.

## BOYS LACROSSE

### Kindergarten to 8th graders

The Norristown Area Youth Lacrosse Association will be holding registrations for boys in grades K-8 in December. Registrations will be held at the PAL center on the following dates: December 1st, December 8th and December 15th from 6-8 p.m. For more information contact the web site at [www.norristownlax.com](http://www.norristownlax.com) or call Jeff Calhoun @484-620-0570.

## EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP BOCCE LEAGUES

### EAST NORRITON SENIOR BOCCE LEAGUE

#### 60 yrs. & up

AT: East Norriton Bocce Courts  
ON: Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday beginning April 17th  
TIME: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

FEE: \$45 per resident, \$50 for non-resident

East Norriton Township will be organizing a spring Bocce League for seniors (60+). The league will commence in mid-April. Registrations will be taken on a team or individual basis. Call the Recreation Department for additional information and a registration form.

### EAST NORRITON ADULT BOCCE LEAGUE

#### 18 yrs. & up

AT: East Norriton Bocce Courts  
ON: Tuesday/Thursday evening league or Sunday league beginning Mid-April

FEE: \$45 per resident, \$50 for non-resident

East Norriton Township will be organizing a spring Bocce League for adults (18+). The league will commence in mid-April. Registration will be taken on a team or individual basis. Call the Recreation Department for additional information and a registration form.



## SPRING HAPPENINGS

### CASINO TRIP – MOHEGAN SUN POCONO DOWNS

ON: Tuesday, April 17th, 2012

FEE: \$40 per person

Bus departs from the East Norriton Township Parks and Recreation Office at 9 a.m. Upon our arrival at Mohegan Sun Casino, you will be on your own for the day. Bus will depart for East Norriton Township at 4 p.m. **You must be 21 years of age or older to participate on this trip.** The trip includes round trip motor coach transportation and a \$30 coin package and a \$10 food voucher. Limited space is available and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. **Deadline to register for this trip is Friday, March 30th.**

## Discount Movie Tickets for Regal Cinemas & United Artists Theatres

The Parks and Recreation Department is selling movie tickets for Regal Cinemas and United Artists Theatres at the Parks and Recreation Office Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. at a discounted price. Movie tickets are being sold for \$8.00 per ticket. These tickets are good for all shows, all times.



## REGISTRATION FORM FOR PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES

Resident of East Norriton Township ( Yes or No )      Payment method: \_\_\_\_\_      Payment date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian or participant if over 18 years old:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Night Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Note: For use by the Parks and Recreation department only. Email addresses will not be shared.)*

Special accommodations requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: *(if different from above)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY

East Norriton Township reserves the right to cancel any program, trip or activity due to insufficient participants, inclement weather or for any other reasonable cause. Should such a cancellation occur, a refund of fees will be provided. Participants who are unable to attend a program should notify the park and recreation department 48 hours before the event in order to qualify for a refund of registration fees. Refunds will not be provided for participant cancellations less than 48 hours before an event. There is a \$25.00 fee on all returned checks. Trip refunds will only be made if a replacement can be found. All refunds due to participant cancellation will result in a \$5 administrative charge.

PARTICIPANTS NAME	AGE	DATE OF BIRTH	PROGRAM NAME	FEE

### EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP – PARK AND RECREATION PROGRAM PARTICIPANT LIABILITY WAIVER AND RELEASE

*All participants (or their legal guardians if the participant is under age 18) must review and sign the liability waiver and release below.*

In consideration for being permitted to use East Norriton Township "Township" and/or Norristown Area School District facilities under the jurisdiction of East Norriton Township Recreation programs and/or to participate in Township-sponsored programs, I agree, for myself and/or for any minors in my care, to fully and completely release Township, its employees, boards, departments, agents and affiliated entities from all claims, liabilities or actions for any injuries to me, injuries to minors in my care and/or any loss or damage to my personal property or the personal property of any such minors arising from our use of Township facilities or participation in Township-sponsored activities and programs.

I agree to hold harmless and defend Township, its officials, employees, successors and assigns from any and all personal injuries and property damages sustained by others by reason of our use of Township facilities or participation in Township-sponsored activities or programs.

I understand that no health and/or accident insurance is provided by the Township. I also understand and agree, for myself, and/or for any minors in my care, that I am solely responsible at any sole cost and expense for furnishing medical or other insurance to cover any expenses related to any such personal injuries or property damage.

I hereby give Township staff permission to secure emergency medical care for minors in my care who may suffer an injury or illness while in the temporary care of Township representatives.

I agree, for myself and/or for any minors in my care, to comply with all

Township rules and regulations, including any rules and regulations governing any programs for which I, and/or any minors in my care, have registered, and understand and agree that noncompliance with any such rules and regulations by me, or any minors in my care, may result in termination of the privilege to use Township facilities and/or participate in Township-sponsored activities and programs. In the event of such a termination for cause, I understand that I will not be entitled to be reimbursed for any registration fees.

I further agree, for myself and/or for any minors in my care, that I will furnish a certified birth certificate or proof of birth upon request by the Township, as may be required for participation in Township activities and programs.

I grant the right to use my/our name, image, photograph and video, including composite or modification, representations in publications, brochures, newsletters, reports, website and any other material relating to Township parks and recreational programs, activities and facilities. I waive the right to inspect or approve versions of my/our image used for publication or the written copy that may be used in connection with the image. I fully release, indemnify and hold harmless Township for any liability for actions taken on our behalf as well as for use of my/our name or image as set forth herein.

Intending to be legally bound hereby, and with full authority, I acknowledge, agree to and accept the terms of this Liability Waiver and Release on behalf of myself and/or on behalf of any minors in my care.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Names of Minor(s) *(if any)* \_\_\_\_\_

# Local Students Represent ENT in Berlin, Germany

Two students from the area represented East Norriton Township at the **United Games of Nations 2011** in Berlin, Germany this past June. It was a special honor for them, because they were also the only participants from the entire United States to take part in the week-long multinational event. The two lucky young people were John Brumbaugh, a current senior at Kutztown with years of experience with the German language, who attended the United Games for the third consecutive year, and Taylor Yates, a Norristown Area High School senior, who was a first-time participant with no former exposure to German and no foreign travel experience. However, despite their differences, they both spent a wonderful week in Berlin, which will provide them with memories for many years to come.

To prepare, Taylor took part in a series of "lessons" about Berlin, Germany and Europe. She learned a little beginning German and absorbed a lot of history and geography, along with some background information on art, architecture, music and film. The lessons began in the era of the Roman Empire and progressed through the centuries to the current day. Morgan Properties agreed to make space available in the Timberlake Clubhouse for the lessons once every two weeks, from January to May.

The games themselves were held in Treptow-Köpenick, a borough in Berlin (and East Norriton's sister city), where they have been held now for over twenty years. Taylor went to Berlin a few days early in June, to avoid suffering from jet lag when the United Games started. John had already been in Europe for some Kutztown summer courses abroad, so he met up with the group in Berlin. Students lived in a camping environment and meals were provided by the German hosts. The only obligations of students who participated were to provide their own transportation costs and to bring some food to represent their own countries for an International Banquet on one evening.

In the first few hours, students began to arrive from many different countries, including Italy, Slovenia, Austria, Hungary, and Finland. Taylor reports having been "a little skeptical, because everyone seemed friendly, but a bit distant." "But once they arrived, we all got settled in with our tent mates and bonded a little," she explains. Students

lived six to a tent, with Taylor sharing a tent with girls from Italy. They became close right from the start. They only had about an hour to prepare the first activity of a fun-filled week. That opening day each national group did some

kind of performance for the students from the other countries. Some chose a song or dance routine that was typical of their home country. But because the American (ENT) and Russian contingents were both very small, they decided to team up to do a common performance for the others.

John explained that as an American, he was "received very enthusiastically." He enjoyed meeting young people from other countries, because, as he expressed it, "it makes you less ignorant about the world." He particularly enjoyed learning about the customs, food and religions of the other countries. Taylor pointed out that throughout the week, the groups played many

"icebreaker" activities, which ensured that everyone got to know everyone else quickly. That must have increased her feeling of belonging, even as a first-timer.

During the week, students took part in various discussion groups. John stressed, "The workshops at the UG vary from year to year on different controversial topics. You are encouraged to speak your mind and state your opinion. You can disagree with others but not use any put downs." All week long, the groups gathered ideas to present to the general public on the following weekend at the summer festival in Köpenick. They could use music, dance, drama, art, or poetry to convey their feelings about living together in a world with diverse influences, facing many global challenges. During the week, the students often played games, such as soccer, volleyball or cards, but sometimes, just sat and talked, but also had the chance to tour Berlin.

Any Norristown area students aged 15 to 20 who are interested in applying to participate in United Games 2012 or in finding out more about the program should send an email to Mr. Tom Speelhoffer at [tspeel1@aol.com](mailto:tspeel1@aol.com) to request an application form or call 610-279-2814 with questions they or their parents would like answered. More student ambassadors will be needed this coming year. Imagine what kind of an impression participation in such a program would have on college admissions officers!



# Elmwood Park Zoo Presented with Proceeds from 2011 Celebration 5K Run

Members of the Celebration 5K Run Committee recently presented a check for \$2,500 to the Elmwood Park Zoo. The check represents proceeds from the 2011 Celebration 5K run sponsored by East Norriton, West Norriton and Norristown on July 4th, 2011.



*Pictured from left are Jane Delaney, Heather Schrack, and Larry Brown, East Norriton Township, Cherifa Howarth, Elmwood Park Zoo Board of Directors, Jon Dzedzy, Lauren Irizarry, West Norriton Township and Bill Plichta from Norristown.*

## REPORT FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

### Sewer Bill Update

Fourth quarter sewer bills will be mailed on December 30th, 2011. This bill is for water consumption for the periods June, July, and August of 2011.

### Tax Collection

Outstanding current real estate tax bills are payable prior to December 31st, 2011. Following this date, a tax lien will be filed against all delinquent properties and payment must be made through Montgomery County Tax Claim and its collection agency.

For owners of newly constructed homes or residents who have had an increase in their assessment there are two (2) additional interim real estate tax bills you will receive. The tax bills are issued by Berkheimer Associates for the Norristown Area School District and by the East Norriton Township Tax Collector for Montgomery County and East Norriton Township.

### Tax Questions?

Residents with questions regarding their Township and County real estate taxes should contact Tax Collector Ken Lahner at 484-231-8307 or the Township's Finance Department at 610-275-2800.

Residents with questions about Norristown Area School District real estate taxes or all other Township taxes should contact Berkheimer Associates at 1-800-360-8989.

### Mark Your Calendar

A representative from Berkheimer Associates will be at the Township Building on Wednesday, January 18th, from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and Tuesday March 27th, 2012 from 9 a.m. – 12 noon and 1-4 p.m. to review and discuss any resident's tax questions and/or concerns. Forms and Earned Income Tax information may be obtained from Berkheimer Associates, 50 N. Seventh Street, Bangor, PA 18013 or call 1-800-360-8989.



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See Santa Claus on Saturday, December 3rd at the  
19th Annual East Norriton Township Holiday Parade  
at Hillcrest Plaza

*(Rain Date Sunday, December 4th)*

Best Wishes to all our residents and businesses for a safe,  
prosperous, and joyous Holiday Season!

## EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP HOLIDAY PARADE ROUTE & ROAD CLOSURES

The East Norriton Township Holiday Parade will be held on Saturday, December 3rd, 2011. The rain date will be Sunday, December 4th, 2011.

The Holiday Parade will start at the East Norriton Middle School on Roland Drive and will proceed south on Stony Creek Road to West Germantown Pike. The parade will then turn east on Germantown Pike and end at the Hillcrest Plaza Shopping Center.

Parade participants are asked to enter Roland Drive from Township Line Road for Parade Line up and drop off of participants.

**The following roads within East Norriton Township will be closed to all vehicular traffic from 10:45 a.m. – 12 noon:**

- 1) Stony Creek Road from Roland Drive to West Germantown Pike
- 2) West Germantown Pike both east and west bound traffic from North Wales Road to Swede Road. All side streets on that portion of West Germantown Pike will be shut off to traffic. No vehicles will be permitted to travel on that portion of the roadway during these specified times.

### ***In addition:***

- Roland Drive will be closed to through traffic from 10-11:30 a.m.
- Hillcrest Avenue from West Germantown Pike to Farview Road will be closed from 10 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.