

The Mount Joy Township Times



FALL IS HERE AND SO ARE A FEW CHANGES

After holding prices steady over the past several years for service tags, yard waste bags, recycle bins and pavilion rentals, the Board of Supervisors at their September board meeting approved the following rate increases. These increases will allow us to maintain the 2025 trash billing rate into 2026.

As of November 1st, 2025 — The Following Price Increases Will Take Place

Extra Bag Tag — \$2.00	White Goods Tag — \$15.00
Tire Tag — \$5.00	Recycle Bins — \$5.00
Woody Yard Waste Bags — \$.50 Per Bag (25 bags = \$12.50, 50 bags = \$25.00)	

In addition, as of January 1, 2026 — The Pavilion Rental Fees Will Be Increased

Resident — \$30.00	Non-Resident — \$50.00
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****Cash or Check only is accepted at the window ****

■ **Trash billed: December 1st**
 ■ **Payment due: December 31st**
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 ■ **Payments will be considered late if submitted online,**
 ■ **in our office or drop box after December 31st.**

*FRIENDLY
REMINDER*

■ ***Mount Joy Township does not use the post mark date on the envelope.**
 ■ **Your payment would be processed using the date we receive the payment.***



The Township utilizes MuniPAY for online payments.

A question we often receive at the township is “Why did I receive a late fee, when I log on it shows there is a \$0.00 balance.” When logging onto MuniPAY you will need to click “I Agree” to continue to make a payment, it states **there will always be a \$0.00 balance** and you will have to enter the amount due found on the invoice. You will need your account number. Please verify the account number and address for the account you are paying to make sure the payment will be applied to the correct account.

White Goods & Tire Pickup

March 9, 10, 11, 2026

White Goods and Tires will be picked up on your scheduled trash day. Put the items out the evening before your scheduled trash pickup day.

<u>Tire Tag: \$5.00</u>	<u>White Goods Tag: \$15.00</u>
Limit 10 tires per address (on or off the rim)	Including, but not limited to, appliances, treadmills and large metal items
No Commercial Tires	



Questions? Call us or email cristy@mtjoytwp.org.

Tags must be purchased by Thursday, March 5, 2026 using Cash or Check.

Already have a tag? Call 717-367-8917 to be placed on the list.

Mount Joy Township Boards

7:00 PM

Mount Joy Township Meeting Room

Board of Supervisors 3rd Monday

Kevin M. Baker—Chairperson
Debra E. Dupler—Vice Chairman
Delmar J. Oberholtzer
Lisa S. Heilner
David W. Sweigart III

Zoning Hearing Board

1st Wednesday 6:00 PM

Planning Commission 4th Monday

Park & Recreation 2nd Tuesday

Police Commission 4th Tuesday

Elizabethtown Area Water Authority

2nd Monday 6:30 PM (EAWA Building)

Elizabethtown Regional Sewer Authority

2nd Tuesday 6:30 PM (ERSA Building)

AS A REMINDER— Each address is allowed 3 (three) 32-gallon cans or bags (or 1 (one) 96-gallon tote) each week. Extra refuse bags/can must be marked with an extra service tag. Bags, cans, and other items not clearly tagged, when appropriate, will not be collected. Refuse and recyclables should be curbside the evening before the pickup day. Refuse bags/cans and recycle bins must be placed no more than 3 ft. from your curb and should be clearly visible to the collector; do not block sidewalks. **If your refuse/recycling bin/woody yard waste is not picked up, contact the Township office at 717-367-8917 ext. 200 or email cristy@mtjoytpw.org by 9:00AM the day after your scheduled pick up.**



LEAF PICKUPS 2025

Saturday, November 8 & 22

Saturday, December 6 & 20



Mount Joy Township Holiday

Thanksgiving - November 27 & 28 : Closed

Christmas - December 25 & 26 : Closed

New Years - January 1: Closed



Proposed 2026 Road Projects

- Base repair continues throughout Mount Joy Township – including Ridge Run, Ridge, Sheaffer, Quarry, Homestead and Schwanger Roads.
- Overlay Aberdeen Road and Parkview Drive.
- Sealcoat double application on Hillside, Rosebud, Old English, Westbrooke Development, Northbrooke Development & Ironstone Drive.
- Sealcoat standard application on Range Road & Old Market Street.



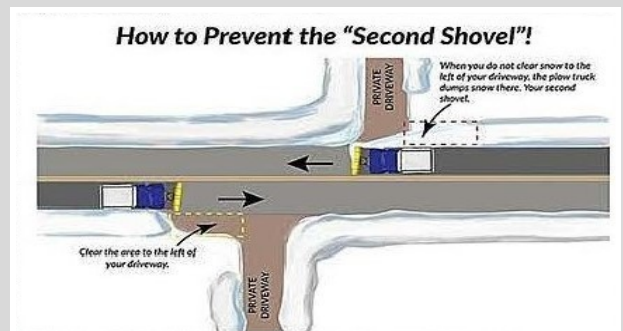
2026 Rental License – Invoices for the 2026

rental licenses are being sent to property owners in October 2025. Rental license applications are due to the Township by December 31, 2025. The application may be completed online at www.mtjoytpw.org or sent by U.S. mail to 8853 Elizabethtown Rd., Elizabethtown, PA 17022. Applications may also be dropped off at our office between 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday thru Friday or placed in the exterior secure drop box in front of the office 24 hours a day. If you have any questions about the 2026 rental license process, please call Dan Ford at 717-367-8917.



Fall and Winter Reminders:

- * Do not place leaves on Township roads, in drainage ditches or over storm drains. If you have a storm drain in front of your property, please keep it clear of leaves and all debris.
- * Basketball nets that hang over any portion of a Township road must be removed. They are hazards to any passing vehicles, including garbage trucks, delivery trucks and, especially, snow plows that need to get close to the curbing.
- * When snow falls, please be patient. We do our best to get a plow truck to your street as quickly as possible. Plowing main arteries will be our first priority, followed by secondary roads and then developments.
- * Do not throw snow into the street. When the plow truck comes by, the snow will inevitably end up back on your property. It is NOT the responsibility of the Township to clear the end of your driveway once the plow has passed through.
- * When a snowstorm is forecast, please remove all vehicles from Township roads so the entire road can be plowed.
- * Sidewalks and fire hydrants must be cleared within 24 hours after the end of a snow or ice event.





8855 Elizabethtown Road - Elizabethtown

Phone: 717-367-8481

8 AM - 4 PM

www.nwrpd.org

Firearms Safe Storage and Suicide Prevention —

The Northwest Regional Police Department has partnered with Lancaster General Health Penn Medicine in a Firearms Safe Storage and Suicide Prevention program. Gun Safety Locks are available at the Northwest Regional Police Department during general business hours 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Unwanted Prescription Medication — If you have unwanted prescription medication you can properly dispose of it in the medication drop box located in the lobby of the Northwest Regional Police Department.

Northwest Regional Police Department/Mount Joy Township Fairview Building Municipal Complex “Safe Exchange Zone” —

The Northwest Regional Police Department would like to remind residents a “Safe Exchange Zone” is available at the Northwest Regional Police Department/Mount Joy Township Fairview Building Municipal Complex. In the interest of helping to keep our community members safe, a “Safe Exchange Zone” is located in the parking lot of the Mount Joy Township Fairview Building Municipal Complex, 8855 Elizabethtown Road. Easily accessible in the front of the municipal complex parking lot, and in plain view of Elizabethtown Road, are two parking spaces visibly marked and reserved for anyone that wishes to meet and complete exchanges. This area is available for anything from financial transactions to safe child custody exchanges. The reserved open area spaces are well lit, easily visible from the public roadway, as well as the municipal building, and are monitored by video recording 24/7 with an HD camera system capable of identifying persons and their registration plates if needed.

Elizabethtown Public Library

10 South Market Street
Elizabethtown, PA 17022
717.367.7467
information@etownpubliclibrary.org



Milanof-Schock Library

1184 Anderson Ferry Road
Mount Joy, PA 17552
717- 653-1510
www.mslibrary.org



TRICK or TREAT
Friday, October 31
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM



Sunday,
November 2

Thank you Benjamin for choosing Old Trolley Line Park for your Eagle Scout project. The construction of the dugouts for the baseball field was completed in the summer of 2025. Thank you for a job well done!



PENNSYLVANIA'S SCHOOL BUS STOPPING LAW

- When you meet or overtake a stopped school bus with red signal lights flashing and stop arm extended, you **MUST STOP**.
- When you approach an intersection where a school bus is stopped with red signal lights flashing and stop arm extended, you **MUST STOP**.
- You **MUST STOP** at least ten (10) feet away from the school bus.
- You **MUST WAIT** until the red lights have stopped flashing and the stop arm has been withdrawn before moving.
- DO NOT MOVE** until all the children have reached a place of safety.

KNOW YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1.5 million children are transported on Pennsylvania roads each day.
- These children are transported approximately 400 million miles to school each year.
- Every year, children are needlessly injured or killed by drivers passing stopped school buses.



You **MUST STOP** on roadways with painted lines.



You **MUST STOP** at an intersection, whether it is or is not marked with a stop sign. All traffic **MUST STOP**.



You **MUST STOP** on roadways with ridged/grooved dividers.

Our Children's Safety Is In Your Hands.

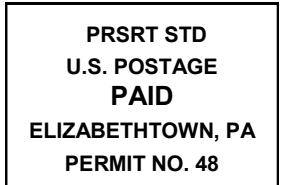
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<p>70 S. Poplar St, Elizabethtown, PA (717) 367-0355</p> <p>Programs & Services Available</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recreation Child Care Senior Center <p>Website Instagram Facebook</p>	<p>Fall Festival Saturday October 18 10 AM - 2 PM Elizabethtown Fairgrounds</p>	<p>Holiday Parade Saturday December 6 4 PM on Market St. Theme: Holiday Traditions</p>
	<p>Fall Golf Tournament Friday October 3 @ 8 AM Dauphin Highlands Golf Course</p>	<p>Pick-up Pickleball September 2 - December 30 Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday</p>
	<p>Senior Center (717) 367-7984 SeniorCenter@getintogears.org Hours: Weekdays 8:30 AM - 4 PM</p>	<p>Kids Center (717) 367-0119 Hours: Weekdays 6:30 AM - 6 PM wendymusser@getintogears.org Preschool Kindergarten Before & After School Programs</p>
	<p>Pancake Breakfast & Fall Bazaar November 8 Breakfast: 7 AM - 11 AM Fall Bazaar: 7 AM - 12 PM</p>	<p>Father/Son Laserdome Blast Thursday October 23 6 - 8:30 PM Laserdome</p>
	<p>Mother/Daughter Paint Night Friday September 5 6:30 - 8 PM GEARS CC Gym</p>	<p>Mother/Son Glow n' Throw Saturday November 8 1-3 PM Stumpy's, Hershey</p>
	<p>EXTRA GIVE Friday Nov. 21, 2025</p>	



Benjamin Dice — Troop 117

Mount Joy Township
8853 Elizabethtown Road
Elizabethtown, PA 17022



Ambulance Billing: How Does It Work?

What happens when you call 911 and you are treated and/or transported by an ambulance crew? This is a question that is received often by the Municipal Emergency Services Authority of Lancaster County (MESA).



After MESA responds to a 911 call and evaluates, treats and/or transports a patient, there are three key factors that determine if or what the patient is charged for ambulance services including:

- ◆ Whether or not the patient has health insurance
- ◆ Whether or not MESA has the patient's insurance information
- ◆ Whether or not MESA's annual fee has been paid

Here's a detailed breakdown of the ambulance billing process:

- ◆ If you are evaluated, treated or transported and do not have insurance, but have paid your annual MESA fee, you will be billed 50% of the charge. If your annual MESA fee is not paid, you will be billed the full amount of the charge.
- ◆ If you are evaluated, treated or transported and do have insurance, MESA will bill your insurance if MESA has your insurance information. If MESA does not have your insurance information, you may receive a statement requesting your insurance information. Once your insurance information is obtained, MESA will then bill your insurance.
- ◆ If you have insurance and have paid your annual MESA fee:
 - ◆ If your insurance pays MESA, you will receive no residual bill.
 - ◆ If your insurance pays you, you must submit payment for that amount to MESA.
 - ◆ If your insurance allowance is applied to your deductible, MESA will bill you 50% of the charge.
- ◆ If you have insurance and have not paid your annual MESA fee:
 - ◆ If your insurance pays MESA, MESA will bill you the remaining balance.
 - ◆ If your insurance pays you, you must submit payment for the full amount to MESA.
 - ◆ If your insurance pays nothing, MESA will bill you the full amount.

Even with this explanation, we recognize that this process is not necessarily easy to follow! That is why you can also find a visual chart that details this process on MESA's website at mesalancasterpa.gov/ems-services/.

MESA staff are available to answer any questions you have about your bill. MESA representatives are available Monday through Friday, 9 am to 4 pm, at 717-361-8220 (select option #5).