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ON-LINE COUNTY PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNT CARD AVAILABLE

The Lancaster Co. Board of Commissioners announced a new on-line feature for the County Prescription Drug Discount Card Program that can be printed directly from the Web. To date, the discount drug program has saved County residents more than \$150,000 on more than 8,500 prescriptions.

Obtaining a card is easy. To print a card on line, the resident should:

1. Access www.caremark.com/naco and select "Print a card."
2. Utilize the map tool to enter a Zip Code or select the relevant state and county.
3. Select next and the ID card is generated for printing.
4. Use the card immediately at any participating pharmacy.

For more information about this program, contact the County Commissioners' Office at (717) 299-8300 or visit www.co.lancaster.pa.us or www.caremark.com/naco. This program is administered by CVS Caremark.

Remember, the cards are free and there are no eligibility requirements, enrollment forms or membership fees.

**BE SURE TO VISIT
YOUR NEW
LIBRARY AT 9 W.
SLOKOM AVE.**

STAND UP AND BE COUNTED IN THE 2010 U.S. CENSUS

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 representation in Congress.

In March, every household in the United States will receive a census questionnaire in the mail. The 2010 Census will contain only ten questions and will take less than ten minutes to complete. The confidentiality of all data you provide on your Census form is protected by federal law and cannot be shared with anyone, including federal agencies and law enforcement entities.

The 2010 Census will only be sent via the mail; it will not be sent in an e-mail or posted for residents to fill out online. For reference purposes only, there is a copy of the Census form available on the Census website containing all of the Census questions. A Census taker may visit your residence if the form is not completed and returned.

Please, help your community and protect your political representation: fill out and return your Census form. If you have any questions or concerns about the 2010 Census, visit www.2010.census.gov, or contact the Lancaster Local Census Office at (717) 666-2130.

To learn more about employment opportunities with the Census Bureau, call 1 (866) 861-2010.

CHRISTIANA BOROUGH ADOPTS NEW ZONING ORDINANCE

Christiana Borough's Zoning Ordinance had not been reviewed for updating since June, 1992. Meanwhile, Christiana joined with Sadsbury, Colerain and Bart Townships to adopt the Octoraro Region Joint Comprehensive Plan on December 7, 2004. With the adoption of this plan, each municipality was required to review its current Zoning Ordinance to make sure it supported the requirements outlined in the Plan. The result was that all participants to the local Plan had to revise and update their individual Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map.

In Christiana's case, the changes occurred mostly in the definitions used, the inclusion of Historic Resources, renaming the Zoning Districts, defining the Flood Plain as an overlay to the Conservation District, and a change to the official Zoning Map.

The other issue was to update the associated fee schedule that was adopted by Resolution in 1992 and not updated since. Costs are now set to insure that the Borough breaks even on expenses associated with Zoning issues. Over the past several years, costs incurred by the Borough on Zoning issues were quickly becoming much more than the revenue received.

For answers to Zoning and related questions, call William F. Beers, Zoning Officer, at (610) 724-4115.

BOROUGH CALENDAR

- 4/5 Yard Waste Pick-up
- 4/6 Council Meeting
- 4/10 Fire Co. Block Shoot
- 4/17 White Goods & Tire Pick-up
- 4/17 Lions Sub Sale
- 4/17 Fire Co. Breakfast. All you can Eat. 6:00 am to 10:00 am
- 4/17 Fire Co. Basket Bingo 6:00 pm
- 4/19 Yard Waste Pick-up
- 4/24 Fire Co. Chicken Pot Pie Dinner. 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- 4/26 Leaf Pick-up
- 5/1 Soap Box Derby
- 5/4 Council Meeting
- 5/8 Library Plant Sale
- 5/10 Yard Waste Pick-up
- 5/15 Lions Sub Sale
- 5/22 Fire Co. Breakfast. All you can Eat. 6:00 am to 10:00 am
- 5/24 Yard Waste Pick-up
- 5/29 Fire Co. Chicken BBQ
- 6/1 Council Meeting
- 6/1 Trash Pick-up (Tuesday)
- 6/6 Quarter Auction 1:00 pm
- 6/7 Yard Waste Pick-up
- 6/19 Lions Sub Sale
- 6/19 Fire Co. Breakfast. All you can Eat. 6:00 am to 10:00 am
- 6/21 Yard Waste Pick-up
- 7/5 Yard Waste Pick-up
- 7/19 Yard Waste Pick-up
- 7/17 Fire Co. Breakfast. All you can Eat. 6:00 am to 10:00 am
- 7/17 Lions Sub Sale
- 8/28 Fire Co. Money Bingo/Meal

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTER- MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Schedule of Meeting Dates

April 20, May 18, June 15,
July 20, August 17,
September 21, October 19,
November 16, December 21.

All meetings are at 7:00 PM and are held at the Colerain Township Building, 1803 Kirkwood Pike, Kirkwood, PA

TRASH PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Regular Trash pick-up continues to be on Monday unless a change is necessary because of a holiday.

2010 Pick-up Schedule

Holiday Schedule

Memorial Day-Tuesday, June 1
Labor Day-Tuesday, Sept. 7

Yard Waste

April 5 & 19
May 10 & 24
June 7 & 21
July 5 & 19
August 9 & 23
September 13 & 27
October 4 & 18

Leaves

April 26
October 11
November 29

White Goods & Tires

April 17
September 11

Remember, the more you recycle,
the more you keep the costs of
trash collection down.

ROBERT C. EDWARDS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

A one thousand dollar scholarship is available through the Borough's Association's Robert C. Edwards Foundation. The applicant must have been accepted for admission to an accredited College, University or School which offers a two or a four year degree/certificate program. The scholarship is for the first year (freshman) at the College, University or School. Applications are available at the Christiana Borough office, 10W. Slokom Avenue, Christiana. The deadline to apply is May 4, 2010.

BOROUGH PHONE NUMBERS

Police - (610) 593-2234
Borough Office - Mon. to Fri. 8:30 am - 4:30pm - (610) 593-5199
Note: Any calls to this number after hours for police will not be answered until Monday morning.
Sewer Plant - (610) 593-6502
Borough Garage - (610) 593-4279
Zoning Issues - (610) 724-4115
Water/Sewer EMERGENCY
Contact - (717) 278-5348

COUNCIL CONTRACTS FOR NOTIFICATION BY TELEPHONE

Because of recent regulations put into place by PA DEP, municipalities are required to contact each household connected to a water system in the event of a pressure loss, water contamination or other issue with a residential water supply. The contact is made through the telephone system and can also be used to notify residents of hydrant flushing, drought conditions that require water saving measures or water main breaks. It can also be used to alert residents of a tornado warning, a gas leak in the street, or to move vehicles off the street for snow removal in the event of a heavy snow storm. The system will be used only for necessary emergency announcements.

In the event no one is at home to receive the call, the information will be left on your answering machine. The same information will be posted on the Borough's web site. Should you be not at home and don't have an answering machine, a printed notice will be brought to your house and left at your front door. **It is very important that you write your phone number on the top portion of your water/sewer bill to enable the Borough to properly notify you of an emergency. Also, let us know if your number has changed.**

MOORES MEMORIAL LIBRARY PLANS MOVE

After several years spent in planning and fund raising, the Moores Memorial Library has moved into its new home at 9 West Slokom Avenue. All of us that have been here for a while, remember the building as a bank that changed its name many times through the years, the last being Wachovia. Sadly, the building stood vacant for at least five years before it was chosen as the next home for the local library.

Once the Library Board of Trustees voted to purchase the building, many people from the Borough, Lancaster County and the state of Pennsylvania all worked together to redesign and develop the facility into a library in which everyone in town can take pride. Our thanks to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for a \$500,000.00 Keystone Grant, the Lancaster County Commissioners for a \$250,000.00 Urban Enhancement Grant, United Disabilities Services for a \$38,000.00 grant, Senator Mike Brubaker for a \$25,000.00 grant, DCED for a \$25,000.00 grant, and to you, the citizens of Christiana, some who wish to remain anonymous, who have financially supported our library for many, many years and this project in particular. However, none of this could have taken place but for the help from Dr. James P. Harrison who purchased the building and held it until funding could be arranged by the Library Trustees. All of us at the Moores Memorial Library thank each and every one of you for your financial and moral support for this project. We are sure that you will be amazed when you see the finished product. Mark Myers and Mike Kinkaid (two local men) of the Mark C. Myers, Architect Firm have done us all proud with the design, layout and colors scheme used. Warfel Construction Company's Dave Sunderland was outstanding in his oversight during the renovations.

A PUBLIC "THANK YOU" - CHRISTIANA FIRE CO. AND THE FIRE POLICE

All too often, citizens tend to take a local fire company for granted. This is not the case with Council and the Christiana Fire Company. The firemen and the Fire Police were of great help during the snow storm and blizzard in early February. The Fire Company was prepared and ready to give those caught out in the storm a place to stay, sleep and get a warm meal. Several people had to take advantage of their hospitality. A milk truck driver, stuck near the bridge on North Bridge Street, not only found a warm welcome at the fire house, he also had the assistance from the firemen in getting his truck off of the road.

The Fire Police, when contacted, quickly responded to notify the residents of Broad Street, West Slokom Avenue, and Gay Street about moving their vehicles to enable the contractors to haul the snow away from these streets. In some cases, the Fire Police actually moved several cars for those who were unable to do so themselves.

The Fire Company, now the owner of the "Friendly Tavern" lot, allowed the contractors to pile snow on their property in order to get it off the roadway. The fact is, the Borough was quickly out of places to pile the white stuff. The Fire Company's lot served well as a place for the snow from the downtown streets. The uptown streets were another matter. Once more, residents stepped up to the plate and offered their property for use by the Borough. Alan and Andrea Kendig, offered their lot along Pine Creek Drive, and Jeff Harrison, offered the old greenhouse lot on Green Street. This is just one more example of the wonderful cooperation found in Christiana whenever a need arises. Thank you, one and all.

CHRISTIANA LIONS PLAN BARN- BONANZA- GIVEAWAY

Christiana Lions are starting a new fundraiser to replace the discontinued bike race. Picture this—The Lions have a barn filled with tools, yard equipment, furniture, gift certificates and crafts from local businesses. To win the barn and everything in it, you must purchase a key from any Lion for \$10.00. If the key fits the lock, the prize is yours. The barn and contents will be on display at the Christiana Community Park on September 11, 2010. That is the Christiana Community Days week-end in the Park. Buy your key and try it in the lock. Who knows, you might just get lucky. It's a great way to support our local Lions Club.

CHRISTIANA HOTEL REOPENS FOR BUSINESS

The renovated Christiana Hotel is home to the Mangia Mangia Catering and Banquet Facility and is available for weddings, showers, birthday parties, rehearsal dinners, bereavement dinners, business meetings, and other events. The Hotel boasts of a banquet room on the first floor and a ball room on the second, available for dancing. Italian cooking is a specialty as well as American favorites. In addition, there is a gift shop on the first floor where there is artwork, and crafts from local artists available. There are daily food specials and hot coffee is for sale. The specialties include Sausage Scaloppini Sandwiches, BIG cupcakes, Cappuccino and hot coffee. The gift shop hours are Monday—Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 P.M. Contact "Woody" at (717) 327-6669 or e-mail MangiaMangiaChristiana@gmail.com.

WATER/SEWER/ TRASH REGULATIONS TO BE ENFORCED

Over the past winter, because of the downturn in the economy, Council decided to relax the rules used to enforce the collection of fees for water, sewer, and trash collection. As a result, no turn-offs were done for the non-payment of bills. With the winter months over and the economy improving, the moratorium is now ended. All collection rules will now be enforced. If payment, including all late fees, for the services are not made, late fees will apply and shut-off will occur if full payment is not made by the shut-off date.

Not paying is very unfair to those who do make their payments on time.

LIBRARY PLANT SALE PLANNED FOR MAY 8

Moore's Memorial Library will hold their annual plant sale on Saturday, May 8, 2010 at the Lions Community Park. All funds will be used to help cover the operating costs of the newly renovated library at 9 W. Slokom Avenue. Help beautify your home and help the library at the same time. The sale will begin at 9:00 AM and will continue until 2:00 PM. Donations of plants and shrubs can be dropped off at the Lions Park before the sale begins. Pre-orders are always welcome. Come out and support your local library.

It is Very Important that the Borough Office has a CURRENT Phone Number on File to Contact You Via the SwiftReach System in the Event of an Emergency. Please, Write your Number on the Top Half of Your Water/Sewer/Trash Bill.

ANNUAL SOAP BOX DERBY TO BE HELD ON MAY 1

The first of two Soap Box Derby races is scheduled for May 1, 2010 on North Bridge Street. Sponsored by the Christiana Recreation Committee and our local Lions Club, the race draws teens from all over the community. It's exciting and it's fun! Sadsbury Avenue and North Bridge Street will be closed, starting at 7:00 AM and won't open until 5:30 PM. Also, parking will be prohibited on N. Bridge Street, from Harrison Avenue to Sadsbury Avenue, as well as the North side of Harrison Avenue, from Bridge Street to Pine Street.

We recognize that this event causes some inconvenience to the local residents but, please keep in mind that this is for our children and it is *their* day. Join in the fun and cheer on your favorite Soap Box driver. The kids always have a great time.

FARMERS MARKET DAY IN CHRISTIANA BEGINS IN MAY

The Farmer's Market that was so successful last year, is planned again for 2010. Every Wednesday, beginning May 26 through September 29, starting at 9:00 A.M. and running until 1:00 pm, local farmers will sell their produce at the Lions Park. Strawberries will be the first to be sold and other fruits and vegetables in season will be offered. Jellies, cakes, pies, flowers and everybody's favorite, whoopee pies, will be available.

Come out, join the fun, meet up with your neighbors at the Farmer's Market in Christiana.

During the past year, all produce sellers were local Amish and we expect additional farmers to attend this year. The great two things are: the items are fresh and the price is right.

AMERICAN LEGION YARD SALE PLANNED

The Christiana American Legion plans to conduct a yard sale the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month, starting in May and continuing through to September, dawn to dusk. The cost for a site to place your table is \$10.00 each day or \$19.00 for both days of the month. Sites are offered on a first come, first served basis until approximately twenty (20) sites have been rented. If interested, contact the Legion at (717) 442-8742 for details. Please, make your check payable to Christiana American Legion. No electric is available for site use.

Participants must use off-road parking with Newport Pike frontage available. Each site must display a dated site certificate and no sales of prepared food by vendors is permitted. Food and sodas will be made available by the American Legion.

All items must be kept in their designated site area with the vendor cleaning the site and removing all unsold items at the end of the day.

The Christiana American Legion is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged goods and is not responsible for accidents.

LOW WATER PRESSURE— CHECK YOUR FILTER

When the last problem and repair to the water main was completed, several residents, who have a filter system on their line, complained after the repair that their water pressure was low. Later, it was found out that their water filter was clogged. Replacing that filter corrected the problem.