

# London Grove Township Gazette

Fall 2022

By: Dawn Maciejczyk

## State Road Sidewalk

By: Dave Connors, Board of Supervisors

I wanted to take a moment to thank all the residents for their patience this past summer regarding the State Road Sidewalk Project. Driving by as construction was wrapping up this past July, I noticed several residents, both children and adults, utilizing the new walkway. In that moment, I began to reflect and appreciate all the support our community has received for this critical safety improvement. From its original conception in 2014, I'd like to acknowledge the support from former Board Members Rich Scott-Harper, Robert Weer, Mike Pickel, and Bob Hittinger. That unwavering support continues with current board members Lee Irwin, Christina Fanning, Kevin Runey, and Steve Zurl.

Shane Kinsey, Public Works Director, and his team truly outdid themselves with all of the preparation, oversight, and last-minute maneuvering for the project. Shane, as he always does, went above and beyond. Ken Battin, Township Manager, and his team managed the project with an efficiency and care that is rarely seen in the municipal world.

The State Road Sidewalk Project had several obstacles since its conception in 2014. From developing a winning plan, obtaining funding, bidding, gaining easements, working with Penn DOT, and executing the project our team excelled the entire time.

London Grove Township is truly lucky to have such a wonderful, knowledgeable, and caring team serving our community. The State Road Sidewalk Project simply highlights the wonderful things Mr. Battin and his team are capable of.



## What's New in London Grove Twp. By: Shane Kinsey & Robert Weer

With the recent modifications of the London Grove Township Municipal Authority to a "Lease Back Authority," and the associated shift in roles and responsibilities for the operation and maintenance of the Township Water and Sewer Systems, several members of the Public Works Department attended the PA Rural Water Associations "Wastewater Operator Certification Training Program." This 12-week program was hosted by London Grove Township at their Public Works Facility over the late winter and early spring, saving travel costs. This program is an intense program, requiring completion of weekly homework and passing of multiple tests, to prepare students for the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Certification Exams.

Those completing the class, sat for the DEP exams in July. Foreman, Nathan Hughes successfully completed his Subclass 3 "Treatment ponds and lagoons." Michael Hughes successfully completed his Subclass 4 "Single entity wastewater collection systems," Michael had previously successfully completed his "general" certification exam and Director, Shane Kinsey successfully completed his general exam, Subclass 1 "Activated Sludge," Subclass 2 "Fixed Film," Subclass 3 "Treatment ponds and lagoons," and Subclass 4 "Single entity wastewater collection systems." Director Kinsey already holds multiple DEP water certifications.

Completion of these certifications will provide Operator Rich Mattson, who holds multiple DEP water and wastewater certifications, backup when needed.

In addition to the Public Works Certifications, Manager, Ken Battin and Assistant Manager, Robert Weer, attended the same program in the summer/fall of 2020. Both receiving their general, ponds and lagoons, and distribution systems certifications. The program provided by PA Rural Water Association has expanded personnel knowledge and capabilities at no training cost to the Township. We would like to thank PA Rural Water Association and Instructor Philip Giunta who has been a local operator for many years, for the opportunity to participate in this essential training.



Pictured from left to right: Rich Mattson, Michael Hughes, Nathan Hughes, Shane Kinsey, and Robert Weer.  
(Not pictured Ken Battin.)



# Trash and Recycling Day at SECCRA

By: Dawn Maciejczyk

## Trash & Recycling Day at Southeastern Chester County Refuse Authority (SECCRA)

This is a free event for Township residents **ONLY**. Residence is defined as any dwelling unit used as a place of human habitation, which is not commercial, Municipal, institutional, or community activity. If you have questions about the Township SECCRA Days please call the Township at 610-345-0100.

For those items that cannot be recycled at the curbside this event date is **October 8, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. till 4:00 p.m. SHARP.**

Recycling occurs at SECCRA throughout the year, fees could apply.

By filling out a Brush Disposal Permit, Township residents are able to dump directly at SECCRA Landfill during their normal business hours. This is free of charge offered to residents only. Brush Disposal permits are available at the Township Office, please bring a Photo ID with proof of residency, permits will be issued each calendar year.

### **May Not Participate**

- Businesses
- Commercial Entities
- Landlords
- Non-residents
- Organizations

### **Accepted Items**

- ✓ Appliances: refrigerators, washers, dryers, air conditioners, humidifiers, stoves, empty grills.
- ✓ Electronics: computers, monitors, televisions, stereo equipment, printers, cell phones, DVD players, basically anything with a circuit board.
- ✓ Automobile Tires: Limit 4 per load per residence, large batteries, such as those in automobiles or tractors.
- ✓ Bulky Waste: furniture, mattresses, carpet, doors, windows, etc.
- ✓ Residential 20 pound propane tanks (empty)
- ✓ No materials will be accepted from "clean outs" of residences.

For Water/Sewer  
Don't forget to  
update your cell  
phone number and  
email with Melissa  
in Utility Billing.





**WE'RE ALL**  
**IN THIS**  
*Together*



# **London Grove Township Blood Drive**

**Monday, September 26, 2022**

**10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.**

**London Grove Township Building**

[www.redcrossblood.org/make-donation](http://www.redcrossblood.org/make-donation)

For helpful tips and to reserve your appointment time click the link above. Search for sponsor code: **londongrove** to schedule an appointment. For Donor Eligibility Guidelines: Call 1-800-REDCROSS

Please contact [tedra.farrell@redcross.org](mailto:tedra.farrell@redcross.org) if you experience issues.



**London Grove Township Building**  
**372 Rose Hill Road**  
**West Grove, PA 19390**  
**610-345-0100**



# How to make a Home Fire Escape Plan

## 100 YEARS

1922-2022



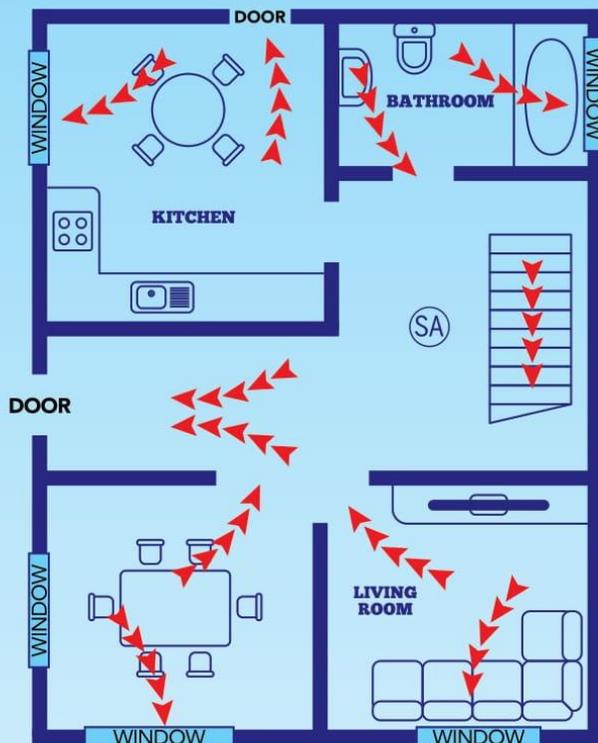
**FIRE PREVENTION WEEK™**



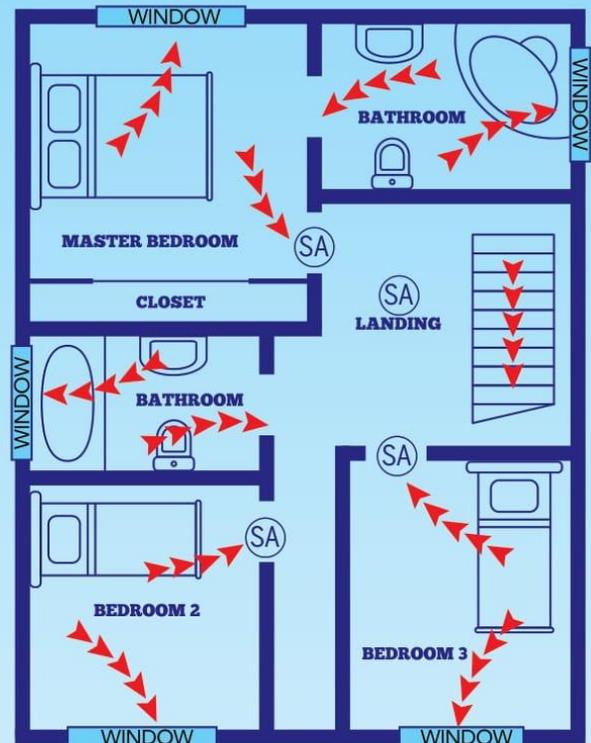
Visit [Sparky.org](http://Sparky.org) for more activities!

- Draw a map of your home. Show all doors and windows.
- Visit each room. Find two ways out.
- All windows and doors should open easily. You should be able to use them to get outside.
- Make sure your home has smoke alarms. Push the test button to make sure each alarm is working.
- Pick a meeting place outside. It should be in front of your home. Everyone will meet at the meeting place.
- Make sure your house or building number can be seen from the street.
- Talk about your plan with everyone in your home.
- Make sure everyone in your home knows how to dial 911 or your local emergency number.
- Practice your home fire drill!
- Make your own home fire escape plan using the grid provided on page 2.

### Sample Escape Plan



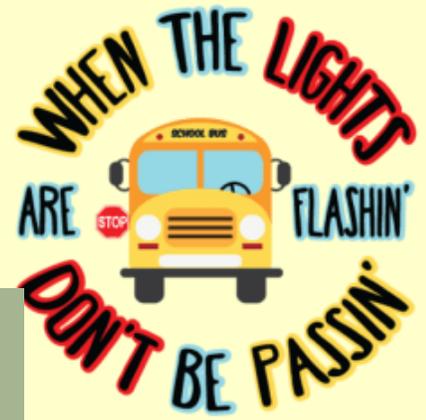
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**2nd FLOOR**



**Kids**



# Back To School Reminders For Drivers

As a reminder with schools beginning again here soon, drivers need to take safety precautions as school buses are back on the road again for the new school year. Driving a motor vehicle is dangerous enough, drivers need to do everything within their power to make it as safe as possible and limit distractions.

- ✓ Wear your seatbelts!
- ✓ Stay OFF phones!
- ✓ Check your text messages/emails when you reach your destination.
- ✓ Check Social Media when you reach your destination.

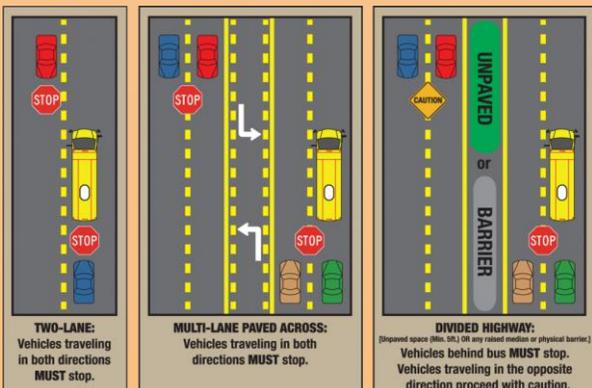
Tips for when you need to stop for a bus...

- ✓ If you are on a two-lane road, both directions **MUST STOP!**
- ✓ If you are on a road that has two or more travel lanes in each direction, then all four lanes must stop.
- ✓ If you're on a divided highway then those driving in the direction of the bus must stop, those driving in the opposite direction can keep moving but make sure you slow down and proceed with caution.
- ✓ **IT IS NEVER OKAY TO PASS A BUS!**

School bus laws say you must stop for the entire time a school bus is stopped or preparing to stop with its red or amber lights flashing, or its stop arm extended.

Reminder for Parents dropping off their students:

- ✓ Don't Double Park. It blocks visibility for other children and cars.
- ✓ Don't load or unload children across the street from the school.
- ✓ Carpool to reduce the number of vehicles at the school.



## School Bus Safety Week: October 17-21, 2022

### ON THE WAY TO THE BUS:

- ✓ Be Alert. Arrive at your stop at least five minutes early.
- ✓ Obey all Traffic Lights and Signals.
- ✓ Plan to walk with schoolmates whenever possible, facing traffic.
- ✓ When crossing streets, always cross at crosswalks and intersections
- ✓ Look both ways before crossing the intersection.

### AT THE BUS STOP:

- ✓ Stand back from the curb at least three giant steps.
- ✓ Do not push and shove when entering or exiting the school bus.
- ✓ Always obey the driver and wait for school bus signals before entering the crosswalks.
- ✓ Always cross at least 10 feet in front of the school bus.
- ✓ Never crawl under the school vehicle. Notify your driver if you drop something.

### WHEN RIDING THE BUS:

- ✓ Take your seat quietly and quickly
- ✓ Keep your feet on the floor and don't stick your head, arms or hands out the window.
- ✓ Talk in a quiet voice and be mindful of your schoolmates and driver.



# A Travel through Time: History of London Grove Township

Chester County, Pennsylvania  
Part of the American Local History Network  
London Grove Township

[http://sites.rootsweb.com/~pacheste/chester\\_twplist\\_londongrv.htm](http://sites.rootsweb.com/~pacheste/chester_twplist_londongrv.htm)

London Grove Township was organized in 1723, with James Lindley as constable, Joseph Sharp and Shadrack Scarlet as overseers of the poor, and John Fincher as supervisor.

## Backstory:

August 12, 1699, William Penn sold to Tobias Collet, Daniel Quare, Henry Goldney, and Michael Russell, all of London, among other lands, 60,000 acres not then located, and granted a warrant for the location thereof, dated 6 month (August) 17, 1699. These persons admitted others into partnership with them, and formed a company, generally known as the London Company, for the improvement of their property, the number of shares eventually reached 8,800, and the shareholders several hundred. As a part of the 60,000 acres, a survey was made of 16,500 acres in Chester County, which included nearly all of the present township of London Grove and the greater part of Franklin (formerly part of New London) and London Britain. This tract was rectangular, being over three miles wide, and about eight and six-tenths miles long. That part of London Grove which lies directly north of New Garden, containing 718 acres, was subsequently added to the former survey, so that the London Company owned, altogether, 17,218 acres in this country, for which a patent was granted June 25, 1718. Much of this land was originally leased for a term of years, with stipulations that a certain number of acres should be cleared and plowed yearly, orchards planted, etc.

In 1866 the line separating London Grove and West Marlborough from Londonderry was altered, and a small part of the northwest corner of London Grove, and of the southwest corner of West Marlborough, were cut off and attached to Londonderry. The territory thus annexed to Londonderry included within its bounds the old White Horse Inn, and was added to that township so that its inhabitants might have convenient place at which to hold their elections.

In 1722 and 1723 a number of the settlers obtained deeds for their lands, but in 1731 there still remained about 4,500 acres unsold of the above tract. The following advertisement was probably circulated soon after the land was taken up:

### ***"THE PROPRIETORS OF THE PENSILVANIA LAND COMPANY IN LONDON DO HEREBY GIVE NOTICE***

***To all persons that are willing to settle upon their lands in Pensilvania, and the territories thereunto belonging, "That they will Give to Every such Person or Persons Fifty Acres of Land to them and their Heirs forever, Free and Clear of all manner of Quit-Rents: Ten Families to Settle together for the Conveniency of Good Neighborhood in every Five Thousand Acres. This Encouragement we promise to Give to a Hundred Families; and so as soon as each Family have Built them a Cottage, and cleared Ten Acres of Land, every Family so settling shall have Deeds executed by the Trustees, and sent them over upon Certificate for that purpose first obtained under the Hands of this Company's Agent or Agents Residing in Pensilvania.***

***"Sam'l Carpenter & Tho. Fairman are the Comp's Agents."***

Whether any persons accepted these conditions has not been observed. John Estaugh, a settler at Haddonfield, N.J., married Elizabeth, the daughter of John Haddon, whose possessions there gave rise to the name, and who appears also to have been one of the London Company; and this Estaugh became the agent or attorney for the company, as well as a shareholder, upon the death of his father-in-law. Under his direction, Isaac Taylor surveyed many tracts for settlers on the company's lands. The subdivision in London Grove were mostly rectangular, and a large number of them appear to have been laid out in 1718 and 1719. Many of the settlers obtained deeds for their lands, dated March 14, 1722-3, from Collet, Quare, and Goldney. These deeds were prepared in England, and were doubtless brought over that spring by John Estaugh, who was returning from a religious visit to that country, he and Sarah Dimsdale, of New Jersey, being witnesses to them.

About the year 1760 was passed an act of Parliament, vesting the estate of the London Company in certain trustees who were directed to expose the same at public sale in Philadelphia. \* These trustees appointed others as their agents and attorneys, from whom many of the titles were obtained after this date.

***London Grove Township will be celebrating 300 years in 2023!***

# A Travel through Time: History of London Grove Township Continued...

## Life Summaries of

James Lindley, Joseph Sharp, Shadrack Scarlet, and John Fincher

London Grove Township

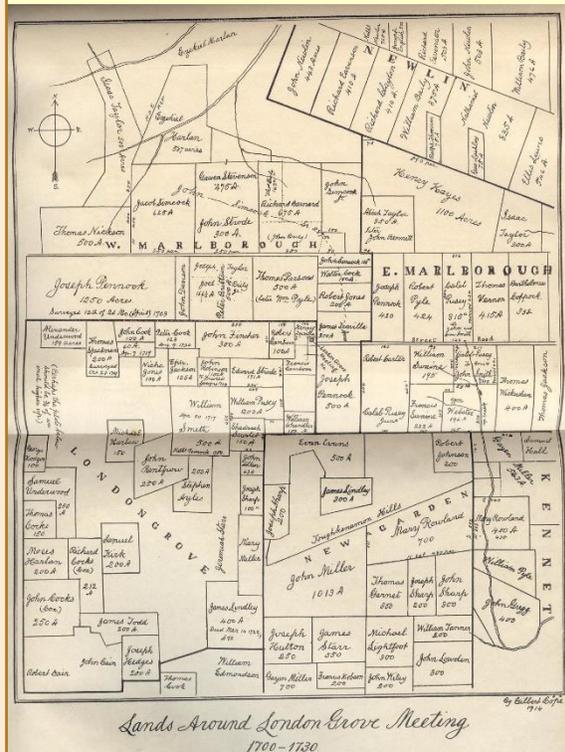
<https://www.familysearch.org/en/>

James Lindley, Constable, London Grove Township 1723, was born on April 16, 1681 in Ballinaclesh, County Wicklow, Ireland, his father James Lindley was 40 and his mother Alice Walsmith, was 37. He married Eleanor Park on April 14, 1704, in Kilconner, County Carlow, Ireland. They were the parents of at least 6 sons and 7 daughters. He lived in Pennsylvania, United States in 1682 and Chester, United States in 1726. His occupation is listed as blacksmith, constable 1723 in London Grove Township, Chester, Pennsylvania, United States. He died on October 13, 1726 in London Grove, at the age of 45, and was buried in New Garden Friends Cemetery.

Joseph Sharp, Overseer of the poor, London Grove Township 1723, was born in 1693 in Roundwood County Laois, Ireland, his father, John Sharp was 25 and his mother Anne Robertson, was 23. He married Mary Pyle Sharp on September 4, 1713, in Concord, Leacock Township, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, British Colonial America. They settled in London Grove Township where he died in 1746. They had 10 children, 7 daughters and 3 sons.

Shadrack Scarlet, Overseer of the poor, London Grove Township 1723, was born on November 7, 1693 in Chester, Pennsylvania, British Colonial America, his father Humphrey Scarlet, was 26 and his mother, Ann Richards, was 29. He married Phebe Bowater on May 29, 1717, in Chester, Pennsylvania. They were the parents of at least 2 sons and 3 daughters. He died on March 26, 1739 in London Grove Township, Chester, Pennsylvania at the age of 45.

John Fincher, Supervisor, London Grove Township 1723, was born on January 28, 1687, in Wyre Forest, Worcestershire, England, United Kingdom, his father Francis Fincher III, was 51 and his mother, Mary Achelly, was 42. He married Martha Taylor in 1699, in Chester MM, Delaware, Pennsylvania, United States. They were the parents of at least 4 sons and 4 daughters. He died on November 24, 1747 in London Grove Township, Chester, Pennsylvania, at the age of 69, and was buried in London Grove Township.





## Parks and Recreation News

By: Audrey Reith

**We've Expanded Goddard Park:** The purchase of more land through open space funding and general funds has completed the jewel that our township has worked so hard to protect for residents. Twelve acres of land that the Goddard family had immediately adjacent to the park has been obtained. The 12 acres surrounding Mr. & Mrs. Goddard's home is now preserved for recreational use and adds to the legacy of this extraordinary couple who shared the vision of strengthening our beautiful London Grove community. As the Parks and Recreation Committee moves forward with the Township to celebrate this accomplishment, we also invite residents to contribute to the fund that has been established to build a memorial garden in honor of Steve & Marna Goddard. The garden will be built near the main entrance of the park and will feature perennial beds and benches for park visitors to sit and reflect upon the same peaceful and uplifting surroundings that the Goddard's enjoyed as they walked the park.

**We Need Volunteers!!!!** There are a few items that need attention quickly.

- We have invaders. Invasive vines and plants threaten our meadows and native trees. We need volunteers to join our committee volunteers as we fight back. If you own a pair of pruners, or a spade shovel... then we have work that needs to be done.
- We have general wear and tear occurring on our trails. Trail maintenance volunteers are crucial to keeping our trails in shape. Volunteers are needed to help move gravel, and other appropriate footing. We also need assistance protecting the trees along the paths.
  - Please call the township and volunteer your time by leaving your name and contact information. Volunteer coordinators can then reach out to you as they coordinate workdays.
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month will be designated as volunteer workdays. Feel free to show up and meet coordinators near the parking lot.

**Benches Donated:** There have been two park benches donated by resident Barry Glicklich. We would like to thank Barry for the generous donation. Two special places have been chosen for their installation. London Grove Township Public Works Department will install the benches as soon as they arrive.

**Grants Awarded to London Grove Township:** We have received funding from the DOCKSTADER from SECCRA for a parking area and entrance on the Blosser property just off East Avondale Road. There will be 8 parking spaces and a paved entrance. This improvement is set to be implemented late August or early September.

Additional grant funding obtained was from the Chester County Parks and Preservation resources. These funds will aid in trail extension projects at Salem Way to the Golf Course and the Inniscrone development. A second trail extension will be implemented at the intersection of East Avondale Road and Rose Hill Road. These will allow for safe passage from pedestrians along our town's extensive trails system.



# **Used Bicycle & Sewing Machine Drive**

(RAIN or SHINE)

**Sunday Oct 23, 2022  
12 pm – 3 pm**

West Goshen Municipal Complex  
1025 Paoli Pike  
(entrance on Five Points Rd)  
West Goshen, PA 19380

We're collecting adult & kids' bikes and sewing machines to send to Uganda, Albania, Tanzania, and Guatemala. Do your part to put used bikes and sewing machines to good use in the developing world.

Bikes should be rust free. No children's trikes, but bikes with flat tires in need of some repair are accepted. Portable sewing machines should be in working condition.

**A donation toward shipping costs is necessary for our continued success (suggested \$20 per donated item, minimum \$10). All material and monetary contributions are tax deductible and a receipt will be provided on site.**

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**Chester County Solid Waste Authority**

For more information contact:  
**Patti Lynn (484) 796-4039**  
**plynn@chestercswa.org**

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www.p4p.org lori@p4p.org (908) 638-8893

Pedals for Progress/Sewing Peace, in its continuing effort to recycle unwanted items properly, is having a used bike and sewing machine collection sponsored by **Chester County Solid Waste Authority**.

Anyone with an adult or child's bicycle in repairable condition is urged to donate his or her bike to this worthy cause. We do not accept "bikes for parts" or disassembled bikes. We also accept working portable sewing machines and sewing notions (no fabric, please).

Bikes and sewing machines can be dropped off from **12pm – 3pm on Sunday October 23, 2022 - rain or shine - at West Goshen Municipal Complex located at 1025 Paoli Pike (entrance on Five Points Rd), West Goshen, PA 19380**.

P4P/SP collects 3,000 to 5,000 items annually and transfers this material wealth to those more needy. To date, more than 162,000 bicycles and 5,200 sewing machines have been shipped to developing countries in Latin America, Africa and Eastern Europe. In these countries the bikes are reconditioned by partner agencies and distributed at low cost to poor working adults. Bikes provide reliable transportation for commuting to work, transporting product to market, and greater mobility accessing health care and other services. Sewing machine shipments help initiate educational programs and generate income opportunities that may otherwise remain out of reach for many people. Steady employment for adults is vital to the development and success of struggling communities.

It costs on average \$52 to collect, process, and ship each bicycle. **A donation toward shipping costs is necessary for our continued success (suggested \$20 per bike and sewing machine, minimum \$10)**. All cash and material donations are fully deductible and a receipt will be provided on site.

Pedals for Progress/Sewing Peace is a 501(c)(3) corporation and a registered charity in the states of **NJ, NY, PA, CT, VT**. Brochures explaining this innovative program will be available at the collection site. P4P seeks donations of wrenches for our overseas shops. For detailed information about our overseas projects and a current schedule of bicycle and sewing machine collections, visit our website at [www.p4p.org](http://www.p4p.org).

**For more information please contact Patti Lynn (484) 796-4039  
[plynn@chestercswa.org](mailto:plynn@chestercswa.org)**



## Avon Grove Library and Penn Township Park Bring StoryWalk® to Their Community

West Grove, Pa., August 15, 2022 – Avon Grove Library and Penn Township Park are thrilled to announce that they are partnering to build a brand new Storywalk® for their community.

A Storywalk® is an outdoor exhibit in which an illustrated children's book is displayed page by page along a walking route, encouraging passerby to stop and spend time reading the story. The project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with Rachel Senegal, formerly of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Its purpose is to promote both literacy and enjoyment of the outdoors among community members.

Since its creation, StoryWalks® have been installed in 50 states and 13 countries. The Chester County Library installed a StoryWalk® in Exton Park in June of 2017.

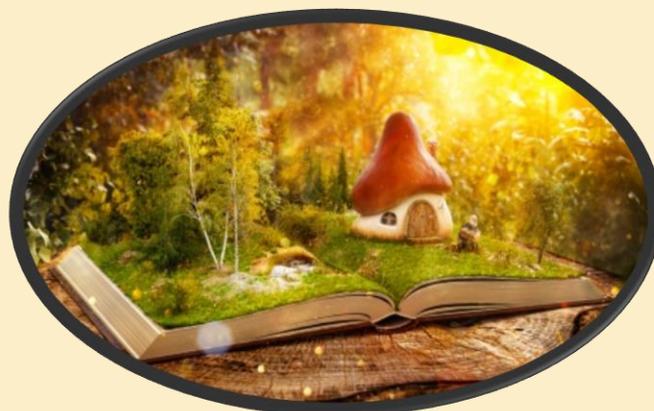
The new StoryWalk® will be set up along the walking trail in Penn Township Sports Park (355 N Jennersville Rd, West Grove, PA 19390). Avon Grove Library will provide the suggested titles and themes. The featured book will be changed on a monthly basis, so children and families in the community can look forward to a new story each month.

A ribbon cutting ceremony is planned for Wednesday, September 7 and will take place at the Sports Park. Readers of all ages are invited to come celebrate and be the first to experience this wonderful addition to the park.

Area residents can learn more about storytimes, classes and programs at [www.avongrovelibrary.org](http://www.avongrovelibrary.org), which is updated frequently with new programs and details.

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Located in the heart of West Grove, Pa., Avon Grove Library is a vital educational institution, offering equal opportunity for self-directed learning, research assistance and instruction, and enriching experiences to over 30,000 people of all ages in southern Chester County. The library is a member of the Chester County Library System.





## Hazards of Hot Hay

By: Kristina Jerrell

Every farmer knows that hot hay is something they do not want to deal with. Hay with little extra moisture may not exceed 120 degrees F., whereas, wetter hay can quickly exceed 150 degrees. If the hay rises above 170 degrees, chemical reactions can begin to occur that produce enough heat to quickly raise the temperature above 400 degrees and the wet hay can begin to burn and cause fires. This process doesn't necessarily happen quickly. It can take three to four weeks for hay to reach these critical temperatures, so it's important to check the status of hay that was put away wetter than normal. This is a big risk if storing hay in barns or a place that doesn't have the best ventilation.

How do you know the temperature of the inside of the bale? Moisture readers come in handy in these situations. They have a long probe that you can stick into the bale and read the screen to find out the moisture level. In our area, the ideal moisture level is between 12-16%, it raises with bigger bales. If you do not have a moisture reader then you can use a long piece of pipe with some small holes drilled in the bottom. Lower a thermometer on a string and leave in the pipe for 15 minutes to get an accurate reading. If no thermometers are available, a three-eighths-inch piece of iron pipe can also be driven into the hay stack. Leave the pipe in the stack for 20 minutes and pull it out. The general rule of thumb is that if it's too hot to hold in your hand, you have a problem.

Is hay and straw the same thing? The simple answer- no. Hay is green in color and includes different grasses like alfalfa and clover. This is used to feed livestock which is why the drying part is so crucial when baling. Straw is more of a yellow or golden color and it is made from cutting and forming the hollow stalks after grain is harvested. Straw is used as bedding for livestock, mulch for gardens and decorations during the fall season.

- Individual fires had catastrophic consequences. The 10 largest fires-roughly 2% of the total number of barn fires-were responsible for 75% of farm animal deaths.
- As was documented in the previous barn fire report, barn fires happened most often in the Upper Midwest and Northeast. The five states with the highest number of barn fires were New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Wisconsin.
- The majority of barn fires occurred in colder weather, with more than twice as many fires occurring during the winter compared to summer.

According to the Animal Welfare Institute, more than 681,000 farm animals died in barn fires in 2021. This follows the worst year on record for fatal barn fires and brings the total number of farm animal deaths in the last two years alone to a staggering 2.3 million.

Of the 113 fires tracked by AWI in 2021, New York and Pennsylvania reported the most for the second consecutive year (14 in New York), (13 in Pennsylvania), followed by Iowa (9), and Michigan, Ohio and Minnesota (8 each).

In total, more than 5.8 million farm animals have been killed in barn fires since 2013, when AWI began tracking these statistics. Among major findings:

- During the four-year period, 539 fires killed nearly 3 million animals.
- The average number of animals killed in barn fires each year was more than 748,000 animals, a 36% increase from the number of animal deaths reported in the previous study period (2013-2017)
- Nearly 98% of the farm animals killed were poultry, with egg-laying hens accounting for the largest share of fatalities, followed by chickens raised for meat.

For more information please visit the Animal Welfare Institute online  
Article by Marjorie Fisherman

# ! Receive London Grove Alerts



## London Grove Township

Sign up to receive notifications via text message.  
Opt-in to any of the following programs:

- ✓ Agenda Notices: **LGTBOS**
- ✓ Bridge Updates: **LGTBRIDGES**
- ✓ Municipal Authority: **LGTMA**
- ✓ Newsletters: **LGTNEWS**
- ✓ Planning Commission: **LGTPC**
- ✓ Parks & Rec: **LGTPR**
- ✓ Road Closure Notices: **LGTROADS**
- ✓ Water/Sewer Notifications: **LGTWATERSEWER**

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## Get Started:

Text in one of the above keywords to: **91896**

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## What to Expect:

- After the initial keyword is sent, you will receive a confirmation message asking you to reply YES to verify opt-in.
- You may receive up to 4 text messages a month with a notification for each alert category opted-in to.
- Message and data rates may apply. Check with your carrier for more details.

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## How to Opt-Out:

- Text STOP at any time to remove yourself from the notification list.



# Township Departments and Staff

By: Dawn Maciejczyk

London Grove Township consist of many different departments, buildings and staff to keep day to day operations running smoothly. Below is a breakdown of the buildings, hours of operation, contact information and staff.

## **Administration Building:**

The Administration Building is located at 372 Rose Hill Road, West Grove, PA 19390. Hours of Operation are from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Main Phone Number is 610-345-0100, Fax Number is 610-345-0455. The office staff consist of 3 main departments, Administration Department, Codes Department and Finance Department.

## **Public Works Building:**

The Public Works Building is located at 374 Rose Hill Road, West Grove, PA 19390. Hours of Operation are from 6:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Main Phone Number is 610-345-0100, Fax Number is 610-345-0455.

## **Inniscrone Golf Course:**

The Inniscrone Golf Course is located at 15 Athelone Way, Avondale, PA 19311. Hours of Operation are from 6:00 a.m. – Dark Sunday- Saturday (7 days a week). Main Phone Number is 484-577-2700.

### **Administration Department:**

Township Manager, Ken Battin  
Township Assistant Manager, Robert Weer  
Office Manager/Township Secretary, Dawn Maciejczyk  
Receptionist/Codes Admin. Kristina Jerrell

### **Codes Department:**

Building Code Official, Latta White  
Fire Marshal, Tim Shannon

### **Finance Department:**

Treasurer: Tracy Kellett  
Utility Billing, Mellissa Morris

### **Public Works Building:**

Public Works Director, Shane Kinsey  
Public Works Foreman, Nate Hughes  
Water, Wastewater Operator, Richard Mattson  
Laborer, Joey Swift  
Laborer, Ryan Yerkes  
Laborer, Mike Hughes  
Laborer, Ryan Huey

### **Inniscrone Golf Club:**

Golf Club Superintendent, Chris Newdeck  
Golf Club Manager, Amy McLaughlin  
Pro Shop Manager, Jesse Connors

## **2022 Public Meeting Schedule**

Most meetings are being conducted in-person with Covid-19 precautions in place.

Municipal Authority Board Meetings- 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every other month at 7:30 p.m. Except for November and December they will meet both months.

Board of Supervisors Meetings- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Open Space Committee Meetings- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Meetings- 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meetings- Last Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Except for November and December. 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month.

Zoning Hearing Board Meetings- As Necessary.

All meetings will happen on the day above as listed unless it is a holiday or other announcements have been made. All meetings are listed on the Township Website Calendar.



# Avon Grove Former High School Construction Update

At the former high school, the portable/temporary classrooms have been permanently removed. Work has started to repair and replace the roof. All rooftop heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) units, fan coils, and exhaust fans have been received onsite. Inside the building, demolition has started to prepare for the upcoming renovations. This has included removing the seats in the auditorium as new seating will be part of the renovation process and preparing for the updating of bathrooms.

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