

# Penn Township

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Spring/Summer

## Penn Township Receives Charitable Gift



IN PHOTO: L - R: Penn Township Supervisor's Ross Smoker, Bill Moyer, Jon Payne, Chairman, Julie Harley, Penn Township Manager, and Fritz M. Heinemann, President, Russell Charitable Foundation, Central PA Region

Former star Pittsburgh Steelers linebacker, Andy Russell and his wife Cindy, through their Andy Russell Charitable Foundation, have donated to Penn Township a limited-edition poster commissioned to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Steelers organization and which came from Andy's memorabilia room at his Pittsburgh home. The framed poster also includes a photo of Andy standing in front of the poster and his personal 75th anniversary uniform patch.

In making the gift, Andy said "Cindy and I have come to love the Central Susquehanna Valley region and in particular Selinsgrove and Penn Township. Our involvement in helping create Everyone's Playground, located at the East Penn Township Recreation Complex, helped us decide to offer the poster as a further expression of affection for the community and a token that will continue to maintain our affiliation with the playground and Penn Township" Russell noted.

Jon Payne, Penn Township Supervisor's Chairman, indicated the poster will be hung in the lobby of the Township Building "... and will help promote Everyone's Playground to those who visit our offices and may not be familiar with the facility or its location. Andy and Cindy have been incredibly generous to Penn Township and we're enormously grateful for their thoughtfulness and continuing commitment to our community and especially those with special needs and other disabilities and cognitive challenges" Payne commented. Everyone's Playground, located at 875 University Avenue, East Snyder, is a specially designed playground to accommodate those with special needs, other disabilities, cognitive challenges, as well as typical individuals. "It's a family-oriented facility that provides safe play space for those with various challenges and also allows parents or siblings to participate in a fun and friendly environment" Cindy Russell commented. Officially opened in 2019 the Russell Charitable Foundation coordinated a fund drive that raised \$500,000 in order to build the playground on land donated by the Penn Township Supervisor's.

## The following road projects are scheduled in 2021:



Quarry Road –Creekside to State School– Paving  
 Foxboro Road– Salem Road intersection West– Paving  
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 Painting Yellow Lines  
 Kuster Road– Paving  
 Mulls Road– Paving  
 Meadow View Dr. Paving

**Board of Supervisors**  
 Jon Payne, Chairman  
 William Moyer V-Chairman  
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**Manager**  
 Julie Hartley  
**Secretary/Treasurer**  
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 & Bathgate, Solicitors

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 Julie Hartley

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 Tony Rankin  
 Rae Audine Snyder  
 Jeffrey Brabant  
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 Robert Slivinski, Solicitor

**Recycling Coordinator**  
 Julie Hartley

**Emergency Management Co.**  
 Frederick R Ulrich

**Recreation Board**  
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 Tim Laubscher, Vice Pres  
 Stephanie Derk, Treas.  
 Rebecca Yeager-Sec.  
 Jacob Koch  
 Fred Lenig  
 Kim Kratzer  
 Simona Napoli Lovik  
 Kelly Hottenstein

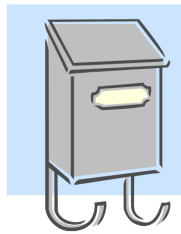
**Township Solicitor**  
 Wiest, Muolo, Noon, Swinehart  
 & Bathgate

**Township Auditors**  
 Todd Robatin  
 Ross Chrisman  
 Karen Kerstetter

**Township Contact Info:**  
 570-374-4778 - phone  
 570-374-4931 - fax  
 penntwp@ptd.net - email

**Road Master**  
 Mark Strawser– 374-4258

**Office Closed?**



*You can drop your zoning permit applications, pavilion rentals, etc. into the black box beside our front door. This drop box is **NOT** for your taxes or water/sewer payments. They will not get to the appropriate people. We do, however, accept chocolate bars for the office*

**Penn Township  
New Office Hours**

**Monday thur Friday  
8:30 am to 2 pm  
other times by appointment**



**Primary Election Day  
May 18, 2021**

**General Election Day  
November 2, 2021**

**PENN 1**

If you live on the south side or 522, you will vote at the Keystone Building Products Building (Changed due to safety of residents due to covid-19)

**PENN 2**

If you live on the north side or Selinsgrove Center side of 522, you will vote at the Penn Township Building  
**228 Clifford Road**

**Polls are open 7 am to 8 pm.**

**SEWAGE CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Dan Page and Polly Graybill are the Twp. Sewage Enforcement Officers (SEO) for Penn Township. An SEO issues septic permits, inspects septic systems, and reviews properties when a complaint is received about a private septic system.

You can contact Dan at 800-639-3641. If your home is connected to a public sewer system, you receive a quarterly bill from PTMA, and do not have a septic system.

**REAL ESTATE AND PER CAPITA TAXES**

**Ron Zeiders, Tax Collector  
PO Box 452  
Selinsgrove, PA 17870  
570-898-4250**

Our collector provides hours here in the township building. The dates are always printed on your tax bills. Fall hours here in the township building will be announced at a later date and will also be printed on your bills when they arrive. Please call Ron or the township office if you have questions.

**Please note: The Township office cannot accept your taxes.**

If you are mailing your taxes and would like to receive a receipt, include a self addressed stamped envelope and Mr. Zeiders will send you receipt.



**PENN TOWNSHIP  
MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY**  
(sewer and water)

The PTMA office is **NOT** located in the Penn Township building.

We **cannot** accept your sewer or water payments at the township office.

mail to:  
PTMA  
PO Box 155  
Selinsgrove, PA 17870

The PTMA Board meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00PM at 2595 US 522 inside Keystone Building Products. Meetings are open to the public...Need More Info. Call Susan Seebold at 374-8256

**STORMWATER, STORM DRAINS AND DROP BOXES**

Never dump or sweep anything into storm drains and drop boxes located in lawns and streets of Penn Township. Why? What's the big deal...if I just drop this stuff in here, out of sight out of mind! Have you ever stopped to consider the consequences of cleaning your mower deck, blowing or sweeping your grass clippings or maybe depositing pet waste into the storm drains and drop boxes in your neighborhood?

The storm drain system is designed to drain rain and only rain. There is NO treatment or filtering of this water between the storm drains and drop boxes and our local streams and tributaries, Penn's Creek, the Susquehanna River and eventually the Chesapeake Bay. Hmmm, and if you use a well as your source for water, I wonder how all this pollution might affect your drinking water?

Storm water runoff and the debris it carries comes from small, individual sources in all parts of the watershed. It is a problem that everyone plays a role in solving. Also a problem that residents can change by stopping small, individual activities that cause pollution and result in large-scale contamination. In order to function at maximum efficiency these systems i.e. storm drains and drop boxes must remain free of debris.

Your grass clipping are small, but they add up. If you or lawn maintenance workers use leaf blowers on your yard, ask them **not** to blow grass clippings and leaves into the street or down storm drain inlets. Where is the best place for yard trimmings?

- Blow grass clippings back onto the lawn, where they become natural fertilizer.
- Rake or blow leaves into a compost pile, where they can decompose without odor.
- Use the compost site provided by Penn Township on Gaugler Lane for your clippings.

**2021 Pavilion Rentals - East Snyder Park**

Reservations are being accepted for 2021 to hold a pavilion for your event. If not reserved, pavilions are open to all. Call the office 570-374-4778, email pennntp@ptd.net or look on our online calendar to check the reservation schedule.

[www.penn-township.net](http://www.penn-township.net) - fee is \$50 to reserve

**Batram Pavilion #1** - nearest the horseshoe pits

**App VanNuys Pavilion #2** - behind Little League baseball field

A User's Agreement is required at the time of reservation. This agreement is available on our website or office pickup. No reservation is official until you have contacted the township office, completed a User's Agreement and paid the fee. 570-374-4778



Located along University Ave. across from East Snyder Park.

The 2021 growing season is under way but there is still plenty of time to get your 30 X 30 plot and start your garden.

visit the community garden website at [www.escgpa.org](http://www.escgpa.org) Also email [escg@gmail.com](mailto:escg@gmail.com)



“Like” Our Face Book Page for Penn Township to see latest updates through the year!

**GET INVOLVED**

There are many opportunities to get involved in our Township. The Zoning Hearing Board, Planning Commission, and the East Snyder Park have Boards in which members get appointed by the Supervisors. Quite often, openings on these Boards come up, and Penn Township looks for residents to fill these positions. If you are interested in sitting on any of these Boards, please contact the Township office.

**Recycling Changes**

Penn Township has decided to limit access to our recycling bins. Starting on May 1, 2021 only Penn township residents and business with permits will be allowed to use our recycling center. Permits may be purchased at the Penn Township Office. This decision was made after Snyder County informed us that they will no longer be using Act 13 grant monies to help fund the cost of emptying our bins. Any concerns about the loss of funding which led to this decision please direct communication to the Snyder County Commissioner's Office. The Permit Price is 20.00 for Penn Township Residents and 50.00 for Businesses in Penn Township . This is a Yearly Permit and can be purchased at the Township Office.

**Hours of Operation:** 7 am to 2 pm Monday thru Friday and the First Saturday of the month from 7 am to 2 pm.  
This is a service provided to Penn Township Residents and Business only. (Permits Required)

First Saturday recyclers will still be assisted by Boy Scouts of America Troop 419 for those who prefer a little help.

Penn Township has one of the best reputations at LCRMS (Lycoming County Resource Management Services) for sending high-quality loads. A pat on the back for our residents! Let's keep up the good work!

Lighting and security cameras are used to monitor the site and violators will be prosecuted.

**Some of the Basic Rules to Recycle by:**

- All materials must be clean and dry.
- Food waste in or on any recyclable material is a contaminant and **NOT** accepted.
- Any chemical, oil and antifreeze containers are contaminants and **NOT** accepted.
- **No string, NO tape or NO plastic bags** allowed. (**bags only accepted holding shredded paper**)
- All containers used to bring your materials must go home with you.
- **NO lids** on any glass material. (put these metal lids with steel cans)
- **YES** to lids on any #1 and #2 plastic bottles or jugs, compress container and put lid back on.  
Loose lids are a problem when trying to bundle plastics.
- Lids from tin cans are **OK** and should be included in the tin bi-metal, steel bin.
- Labels are **OK** on all plastics, glass and tin cans.
- Wasted space, always an issue, it doesn't take much to flatten plastics and cardboard.
- Returning the lid will help keep plastics compacted.
- Our setup will allow for bins to be emptied **only** when full.
- **All boxes** whether corrugated cardboard or chipboard (cereal type) boxes must be broken down.

**What to do with:**

**Rechargeable Batteries** – Lowes, Best Buy, Coles and Staples.

**CFL's** – Lowes Home Improvement Center does have a bin for these bulbs. Bulbs should be in a plastic bag! Also, all Friedman Electric stores, - local address - 1000 N. High Street, Selinsgrove.

**Medical Waste:** Household medical waste including needles can be placed in a secure container with the lid taped and disposed of in the trash. Never flush medical waste.

**Plastic Shopping Bags:** Most grocery stores collect these bags. Other plastics allowed with the shopping bags: wrappers from toilet tissue, paper towels, clean bread bags, dry cleaning bags etc.

**Pizza Boxes: No Dirty Boxes** consider this – why not take the lid off and recycle if it's clean? 1/2 a pizza box recycled is better than no pizza box recycled!



Security Cameras on Site

If you have a specific question about recycling please call the township office at (570) 374-4778 or e-mail penntwp@ptd.net. See the township website www.penn-township.net for a detailed list of what to do with 'Hard to Recycle Items'.

<p><b>Clear Glass</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* clean</li> <li>* dry</li> <li>* <b>NO</b> lids</li> <li>* labels OK</li> </ul> <hr/> <p><b>Green and Blue Glass</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* same rules as clear glass</li> </ul> <hr/> <p><b>Brown Glass</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*same rules as clear glass</li> </ul>	<p><b>Tin and Bimetal Cans</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* clean</li> <li>* dry</li> <li>* lids + labels OK</li> </ul> <hr/> <p><b>Tin and Bimetal Cans</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* clean</li> <li>* dry</li> <li>* lids + labels OK</li> </ul> <hr/> <p><b>Tin and Bimetal Cans</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* clean</li> <li>* dry</li> <li>* lids + labels OK</li> </ul>	<p><b>Newsprint</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* dry</li> <li>* <b>NO</b> String</li> <li>* <b>NO</b> Tape</li> <li>* <b>NO</b> Plastic bags</li> </ul> <p><b>Glossy inserts can go with Magazines</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Magazines and Catalogs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*loose – <b>NO</b> strings, plastic bags, tape or items with glued bindings</li> </ul>	<p><b>Chipboard Junk Mail Books</b></p> <p>hard or soft cover</p> <p><b>Phonebooks Office Paper Shredded Paper</b></p> <p>Expanded detail of materials accepted on reverse.</p> <p><b>AND Corrugated Cardboard</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* clean</li> <li>* dry</li> <li>* <b>broken down</b></li> <li>* <b>NO DIRTY</b> pizza boxes!</li> </ul>	<p><b>Plastics #1 and #2 Bottles + Jugs ONLY Comingled</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* clean and dry</li> <li>* lids OK</li> <li>* Flattened or compacted with lid reattached great for saving space.</li> </ul> <p><b>Check the POSTED list of unaccepted materials!</b></p>	<p><b>Aluminum Supports Boy Scouts Troop 419</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Troop 419 will continue to assist residents with recycling on the second Saturday of each month</li> </ul> <p>* <b>Community Aid bin.</b> Clothing and small household items only.</p>
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# SNYDER COUNTY 2021 Recycling Event

**APPLIANCES \* METALS \* ELECTRONICS  
CHEMICALS \* CLOTHING \* BOOKS**

## Monroe Township Shed

*(On Park Rd.—1 mi. from Rts. 11 & 15)*

FRIDAY, May 21 - 3 pm to 7 pm

SATURDAY, May 22 - 9 am to 1pm

**You must have an appointment to drop off chemicals and electronic devices!  
Call 866-815-0016 or visit [www.ecsr.net](http://www.ecsr.net) to preregister.**

**There is a FEE to Recycle ELECTRONICS & CHEMICALS**

**\$2.00 per pound for chemicals .60-.80 per pound for electronics**

**RECYCLE YOUR CHEMICALS;** oil based paints, automotive fluids, insecticides, pesticides, oil, cleaners, fuels, aerosols, batteries, bleach, pool chemicals, light bulbs, and much more for \$2.00 per pound.

Call to find out how to dispose of latex paint safely.

**All ELECTRONICS;** can be recycled for 60 to 80 cents per pound.

You can do a simple estimate before you come so you won't be surprised.

### **ELECTRONICS**

Computers  
Monitors  
Printers  
Copiers  
Keyboards  
Scanners  
Modems and routers  
Servers  
Cables  
Phones  
Televisions (all sizes)  
DVD & VCR players  
Stereos  
Radios

### **APPLIANCES &**

#### **METALS**

Air conditioners  
Dehumidifiers  
Freezers  
Refrigerators  
Stoves  
Washers & dryers  
Water heaters  
Dishwashers  
Gas grills  
Gas grill tanks  
(valve removed)  
Small propane cylinders  
Lawn mowers

### **CLOTHING &**

#### **TEXTILES**

Clothing  
Blankets  
Curtains  
Purses  
Shoes  
Towels  
Clean dry rags  
  
Clothing must be in good condition.

### **OTHERS**

Paperback books  
Hardcover books  
Pamphlets  
Magazines  
Encyclopedias  
Handicap Equipment

#### **WE CANNOT ACCEPT:**

VCR tapes, CD & DVD disks  
Large wooden speakers  
Styrofoam  
Coffee makers  
Wooden crutches  
Vacuums  
Humidifiers

**We will accept donations to cover miscellaneous expenses**

This event is sponsored by the Snyder County Solid Waste Management Authority.  
Questions can be directed to Tom Gibson at [scswma@snydercounty.org](mailto:scswma@snydercounty.org) or 570-374-6889, x-115.

### Reminder to purchase your 2021 Compost Permit at the Township office.

The Penn Township compost site is located at the end of Gaugler Lane, across from Salem Lutheran Church. You can take your basic grass clippings, other lawn and garden waste, leaves, trees (including Christmas trees), shrub waste, branches and unpainted or untreated wood. There are signs indicating where the different items belong. Be sure to leave your items in the correct locations. Permit Price is 5.00 a year .

**To generate quality mulch and compost there are items that are absolutely not accepted at this site and include:**

- **NO** cat or dog waste;
- **NO** treated or painted wood;
- **NO** dairy products;
- **NO** building construction waste;
- **NO** meat or fish bones;
- **NO** fat, grease, lard or oils;
- **NO** plastic or metals;
- **NO** weeds and weed seeds.



**Delivery containers are also not accepted. Please take your garbage bags, flower pots, and any other transport containers home with you!**

***Leaving these items is the same as illegal dumping and/or littering!***

A separate pile is available for wood and coal ashes.

This service is only for permit holders, and open 7 days a week, dawn to dusk.

**Only Penn Township Residents with Permits dropping items at compost site are permitted in this area**

## Are you ready for Summer Smiles, Squeals, and Splashes?

### The Selinsgrove Area Community Pool will be opening Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup>!

We are starting the \$240,000 pool repairs and renovations, thanks to generous contributions from community businesses, boroughs, private donors, grants and Friends of the Pool. We are accepting donations to complete our projects. All donations can be mailed to Selinsgrove Area Recreation Inc (SARI), PO Box 172 Selinsgrove, Pa 17870.

**FREE ADMISSION** on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31 to all. On busy days there is additional parking at the bottom of the hill in the high school parking lot.

**2021 SEASON Individual or Family memberships AVAILABLE now on our website and at the Selinsgrove Borough Office. (DISCOUNTED PRICING UNTIL MARCH 31<sup>st</sup>.)**

Enjoy our pool's fun side with the diving board, enclosed tube slides, & water features at zero entry! Relax and soak up the sun and atmosphere with one of our 96 lounge chairs, 26 shade umbrellas, picnic tables, benches, and shaded tables with chairs.

**CONCESSIONS:** Bella's Pizza has agreed to return in 2021 to continue operating the concession stand! The pool is also available for private parties & team or club celebrations.

**PLANNED CLASSES:** Red Cross Swim Lessons, Scuba Certification Course, Adult Water Aerobics, and Lifeguard Certification\*

(\*Pending CDC Guidelines)

Check out our website - **[selinsgrovepool.org](http://selinsgrovepool.org)**  
Facebook page - **Selinsgrove Community Pool**

**Looking for a Summer Job:**

If you would like to join our team as a Lifeguard or Front

Desk Staff, then contact Carrie Briggs at [cbriggs914@gmail.com](mailto:cbriggs914@gmail.com)

**Meet the newest member of our fleet, a 2021 Mack Dump Truck. Sure got use this winter!**



### **REMINDER - PERMITS ARE REQUIRED IN PENN TOWNSHIP**

***zoning permits, building permits, road cut permits, driveway permits, transient merchant permits, amusement tax permits, compost permits & recycling permits, etc.***

The most often required permit in Penn Township is our zoning permit and we are often asked, "Why do I need a zoning permit?" Well, the general 'line' that covers most everything is...to promote and protect the public health, safety and welfare of our residents. To detail that statement a bit further, the fact that Penn Township has developed any ordinances over the past decades, shows the awareness of those in a leadership role, to look ahead to plan and develop, to assure safe, reliable and adequate water supply, prevent over crowding of land and travel congestion, preserve prime farmland and ag activities, provide housing of various types in appropriate locations, encourage smart growth practices that will promote high quality residential neighborhoods, preserve natural and scenic qualities, approve the appearance and function of Route 522, provide for low impact stormwater management in all new development etc. These are just some of the reasons that illustrate how the zoning ordinance can protect you, and, accommodate and guide the overall growth of Penn Township.

#### **So do you need a zoning permit?**

Zoning permits are required for any new construction or alteration of an existing structure. Typical projects that would need a zoning permit include, but are not limited to: additions, decks, porches, garages, patios, sheds, pools, all new homes (stick-built, modular, and mobile), agriculture buildings, and more.

#### **What information do you need to complete the zoning permit application?**

Zoning permit applications require various items depending on the specific project you are planning. For all projects you will need the size of the project, setbacks to the property line, and an overview drawing of your project, which should include dimensions and setbacks and any current buildings on your property. New home construction ...please read on.

#### **What if you are building a new home?**

For new homes a copy of the sewer and/or water permit if your new home will be connected to public water and/or sewer, or a copy of the septic permit if you will be out of public service area. Also, a set of your new home plans, a plot plan, a driveway permit issued by the township if your driveway will connect to a township road, or a copy of your highway occupancy permit - obtained from PennDOT if your driveway will connect to a state road.

For zoning questions call the Penn Township zoning officer at the township office 570-374-4778.

#### **Do you need a building permit?**

That's one question Penn Twp. employees cannot answer for you. The Central Keystone Council of Government (the COG), is the only office who can determine if a building permit is required. It is your responsibility to contact COG prior to construction to verify permit requirements. You reach the COG at 877-457-94011

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PRST STANDARD  
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 PERMIT 26  
 SELINGROVE, PA 17870

Smile

...you are on camera!

Penn Township has surveillance cameras located throughout....

**East Snyder Park,  
 the Township Building,  
 Recycle Area and our  
 Compost Site**



# SPRING WORDSEARCH

BUNNY  
 CANDY  
 CHICKS  
 CHOCOLATE  
 EASTER  
 EGGS  
 FLOWERS  
 GREEN  
 RAIN  
 SPRING

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