

PENN Township

Selinsgrove, Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Continued Improvements Slated for East Snyder Park in 2024

Several improvement projects are scheduled to be completed this year at East Snyder Park. One improvement that has been partially started is refurbishing the restroom facilities located near the Orange Park and Battram Pavilion. Last year a \$5,000 grant was secured from Community Giving Foundation to purchase new power flush toilets and faucets that turn off automatically. The faucets were installed near the end of the season in 2023 and the toilets are ordered and should arrive this Spring. The new power flush toilets will be installed by DB Construction who graciously has offered to install them at no charge. A huge thank you for the many times that DB Construction has helped make our park projects successful!



Two other grants to facilitate park improvements have been applied for through the Community Giving Foundation. One grant written by Pete DeWire with Dean Schreiber assisting, is to request funding to make much needed improvements to field number three. Field number three is in need of repairs to the field as well as a shed to store equipment. Another Community Giving Foundation has been applied for by the Township Manager to secure funding for a power flush toilet and faucet that turns off automatically for the softball field's restroom.

An improvement that has been funded and approved through the Township's CBDG funding allotment are paved paths throughout East Snyder Park. This will allow more accessibility throughout the park. All paths will be ADA compliant for width and slope. This is

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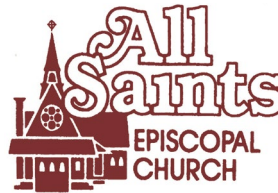


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CONTINUED IMPROVEMENTS *from cover*

a project that took several years to secure approvals so that the funding could be released but now we are finally ready for the paths to be installed this summer. This project will further assist with our goal of accessibility and recreation for all.

The final improvement project slated to start this year is our Agricultural/Open Space Trail. This trail head is located at the rear of our park and is approximately one mile in length. It is currently a grassy trail and will remain that way to promote open trail space and allow users to appreciate the agriculture aspect of the property. Items slated to add to the trail include trees, benches, birdhouses and more. Funding to improve this trail in the park was provided by a donor that wishes to promote open space and agriculture within our Township.

So, this year while visiting East Snyder Park check out these improvement projects that will be underway. We look forward to a great season at the park in 2024.

ELECTION DAY

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024



PENN 1

If you live on the south side of 522,
you will vote at the Keystone Building
Products Building

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.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The Board of Supervisors meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month, 6:00 pm at the Municipal Building, 228 Clifford Road. If you have a topic you wish to discuss with the Supervisors at the meeting, you can speak under public comment on the agenda, or you can call the Township office at 570-374-4778 to add your name to the agenda. If you speak under public comment, your time to speak could be limited.

The East Snyder Regional Recreation Association- see description above – Meet on the second Tuesday at 7:00 pm

The Planning Commission - see description above – Meet on the fourth Monday at 6:30 pm

The Zoning Hearing Board meets, as needed, to review zoning variance requests. The zoning hearings are advertised with the date and time and the property to which a variance may be granted, along with the reason for the variance request.

All meetings are open to the public.

JOIN THE “FRIENDS OF EVERYONE’S PLAYGROUND”



Rayna Rockey, who will turn 2 in May, enjoys Everyone’s Playground

In early Spring the East Snyder Regional Recreation Association will launch a “Friends of Everyone’s Playground” Membership drive to mobilize the volunteer resources and enthusiasm of identified sponsors, donors, visitors and those who have expressed their endorsement and support of the playground. Since its opening in 2019 Everyone’s Playground has become a destination point for children with special needs as well as others with physical or cognitive challenges. Although specifically designed as an ADA compliant, barrier free, all-inclusive safe play space, typical youngsters and their families can also enjoy the facility which is attracting visitors from throughout the entire Central Susquehanna Valley region and other states as well.

According to East Snyder Regional Recreation Association Board Members, all volunteers, the mission of the membership initiative is to further enhance and beautify Everyone’s Playground while also helping to identify potential new sources of funding for new modules and perpetual care purposes. According to an ESRRRA member a primary focus of the new membership group will be to help promote awareness of the playground as a viable special needs recreation safe play space that provides for the needs of all individuals, regardless of their level of ability.

Mid-spring is the target date for the official launch of the “Friends of Everyone’s Playground” membership endeavor with advance announcements provided through media, social media, and other public outlets.

“This is a very exciting next step in the further development of Everyone’s Playground and will significantly enhance the ambiance and recreational practicality of the facility. We’ll be sharing aspects of our progress and look forward to achieving one more new value added component of Everyone’s Playground” Julie Hartley, Penn Township Manager, stated.



Selinsgrove Area Community Pool opens Saturday, May 25th, with FREE admission on Memorial Day, Monday May 27th. The pool will close May 28th - May 30th and re-open daily for the season on Friday May 31st at noon.

Use our accessible, interactive Splash Pad featuring fountains, waterfalls and dump buckets. Enjoy our other amenities including enclosed tube slide, diving board,

lounge chairs, umbrellas, shaded tables, lap lanes, zero-depth entry, and Bella’s Pizza concession stand. Inquire to host a party or gathering at our pavilion. Watch for our annual Red Cross swim lessons, PADI Open Water SCUBA course and free water aerobics classes. In addition, Selinsgrove Stingray’s summer swim team holds their practices and meets at the pool. Team sign-ups will be held in May.

Mark your 2024 calendar to attend our Bingo/ Chinese Auction Fundraiser, Sunday April 21st, at the Selinsgrove VFW, route 522. Doors open at noon, 20 games for \$20, Bingo starts at 2pm. Also, register for our NEW Croquet Tournament Fundraiser at Rotary Field in June. See Facebook for details.

The pool is currently hiring staff and lifeguards for the 2024 season. We will host a Lifeguard Training Certification course in May. Visit Selinsgrovepool.org for employment forms and season pass applications. Take advantage of our early-bird discount pass rates through March 31st.

Donations to support the pool are tax deductible and always appreciated. Mail your contribution to SARI P.O. Box 172, Selinsgrove, PA 17870 and ask how to participate in our on-going donor recognition paint-the-block campaign.

SNYDER COUNTY NIGHT OUT

2024 Snyder County Night Out Tuesday, August 13, 2024 from 4 pm to 7 pm (Rain Date – Wednesday, August 14, 2024) All the usual fun which includes fire trucks, ambulances, police departments, local vendors, free food, inflatables and a petting zoo. Exhibitors & Sponsors: email SnyderCoNightOut@hotmail.com for information or to register Visit @SCC4Kids on Facebook for more details www.SCC4K.org



On Thursday, June 20th, the annual DH&L Golf Tournament will take place at Shade Mountain Golf Club. Please see our Facebook page for registration forms and more information.

For more information about the fire company or events hosted by DH&L, check out our Facebook page or visit our website at www.dhlfire.com.

2024 PAVILION RENTALS

Reservations are being accepted for 2024 to rent a pavilion for your event. If not reserved, pavilions are open to all. You can find users agreement required for reservation and online calendar on our website at www.penn-township.net. Please print, fill out, and send with check to Penn Township, 228 Clifford Rd., Selingsgrove, PA 17870 or you may stop by during office hours. If need assistance you may call the office 570-374-4778 or email penntwp@ptd.net to check the reservation schedule.



Pavilion Fee is \$50 to rent

Battram Pavilion #1 - nearest the horseshoe pits

App VanNuys Pavilion #2 - behind Little League baseball field

No reservation is official until the township office has a completed a User's Agreement and paid the fee.

DH&L FIRE COMPANY SPRING FLING GUN RAFFLE AND MUSIC FEST



We will be adding Sucker Punch to the band lineup making 6 live bands! They have been a local band for years and are back playing again, we are excited for the opportunity to have them play here at DH&L!!

2024 is our 150th anniversary here at DH&L, we are trying to make this event the best we can!

Once again tickets are on sale for only \$20, get them early!
Event is open to the public

NOW 6 Live Bands to include:

Cass and The Bailout Crew • KINSEY • The Heartstrings
SUCKER PUNCH • Portland Frank • Bird Law 05

Gun Giveaway every 15 min

Rip tickets/other drawings benefiting the Fire Co.

Buying a ticket includes Soda, Water and Beer during event
Other Adult Beverages available for sale • Food Trucks on site

Free Giveaways throughout the day

As always thanks for your support!

Located along University Avenue across from East Snyder Park.

The 2024 growing season will soon be under way but there is still plenty of time to get your 30' X 30' plot for \$25, a half plot for \$15 or \$10 for 4'x10' raised bed and come start your garden.

Call 570-374-1525 or visit the community garden Facebook page or website at www.escgpa.org



2024 ROAD PROJECTS

Fiber Sealcoating, Line Painting & Fog Sealing on: Fair Oak Road and Sportsmans Drive

Fiber Sealcoating & Fog Sealing on: Perkinson Road

RECYCLING FACILITIES



The Recycling Center will be open Monday - Friday from 7am to 2 pm and the 1st Saturday of the month from 7 am to 2 pm for Penn Township Residents and Businesses only by permit. Permit cost is \$20 per year for a resident and \$50 per year for a resident business. Please display permit on dashboard when entering facility as there are surveillance cameras and we WILL prosecute illegal dumping and/or inappropriate activity. Permits are valid by calendar year 1/1/24 -12/31/24. There are random Permit checks.

2024 COMPOST SITE CHANGES

Starting November 1, 2023 our compost site will be open on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and the first Saturday of the month with the hours of 7 am to 2 pm which are the winter hours. During warmer months the compost hours will be 7 am to 7:30 pm on the same days.

Purchase your 2024 Compost Permit at the Township office. The cost is \$20.00 for Penn Township Residents, \$1,000 for Penn Township Businesses and \$50 per use for out of township Businesses.

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.

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

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| NO cat or dog waste; | NO dairy products; | NO plastic or metals; |
| NO treated or painted wood; | NO building construction waste; | NO cement, blocks, pavers or bricks |
| NO metal of any kind left in wood products | NO meat or fish bones; | NO weeds and weed seeds. |
| | NO fat, grease, lard or oils; | |

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.

Only people dropping items at compost site are permitted in this area.

Surveillance cameras are in use.

FLOOD HAZARD

Most everyone knows that coastal properties are subject to flooding and wind damage from hurricanes. Flooding and other surface drainage problems can occur well away from the coast and other bodies of water. There are maps that show areas predicted to flood. To find out more about flood-prone area maps, check with the CRS (Community Rating System) Coordinator for Penn Township, Snyder County. If you're looking at any property, it's a good idea to check out the possible flood hazard before you buy. Here's why:

- .The force of moving water can destroy a building.
- .Slow-moving floodwaters can knock people off their feet or float a car.
- .Even standing water can float a building, collapse basement walls, or buckle a concrete floor.
- .Water-soaked contents, such as carpeting, clothing, upholstered furniture, and mattresses, may have to be thrown away after a flood.
- .Some items, such as photographs and heirlooms, may never be restored to their original condition.
- .Floodwaters are not clean: floods carry mud, farm chemicals, road oil, and other noxious substances that cause health hazards.
- .Flooded buildings breed mold and other problems if they are not quickly and properly repaired.
- .The impact of a flood—cleaning up, making repairs, and the personal losses—can cause great stress to you, your family, and your finances.

Floodplain Regulations - Penn Township regulates construction and development in the floodplain to lessen the risk that buildings will be damaged from flooding. Land filling and similar projects are prohibited in certain areas. Houses in the floodplain substantially damaged by fire, flood, or any other cause must be elevated to or above the regulatory flood level when they are repaired. More information can be obtained from the CRS Coordinator or the Zoning Officer in the Penn Township office.

Flood Protection - A building can be protected from most flood hazards, sometimes at a relatively low cost. New buildings and additions can be elevated above flood levels. Existing buildings can be protected from shallow floodwaters by re-grading, adding berms or floodwalls, but do check for permitting requirements. There are other retrofitting techniques that can help protect a building from surface or subsurface water.

Flood Insurance - Homeowners insurance usually does not include coverage for a flood. One of the best protective measures is a flood insurance policy under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which can be purchased through any licensed property insurance agent. If the building is located in a floodplain, flood insurance will be required by most federally backed mortgage lenders.



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