



EXETER COMMUNITY NEWS

Edition 2

Second Quarter, 2015

May Days Festival



Friday

4pm - Battle of the Bands Champion
6pm - "Blunk Movement"
8pm - "Old Hat"

Saturday

3pm - Reiffon Band
4pm - Jr. High Band
5pm - Jazz Ensemble
6pm - Band TBA
9pm - High School Marching Band

This year's festival is right around the corner! It will be held Friday, May 15th, from 3pm to 10pm and Saturday, May 16th, from **1pm** to 10pm on the grounds of Exeter High School at 37th Street and Reiff Place. A cooperative effort between Exeter Township and the Exeter School District, this annual event provides an assortment of amusement, entertainment, food, and excitement for residents of all ages.

More Rides! Great Food!
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On Saturday we will be offering "all you can ride" wristbands from 1pm until 5pm for \$20, and discount coupons can be found at www.exetertownship.com. Tickets are required for rides. Food and games will be cash only.

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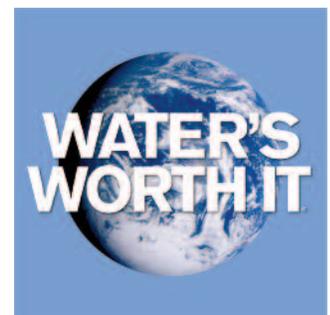
Going Down the Drain is Only the Beginning

Like many communities, Exeter Township has many valuable resources. Some are quite visible and others, not so much. Despite the obscurity, the staff of the EXeter Township Wastewater Department has been widely recognized over the years for their EXperience, EXpertise, and EXcellence in the performance of duties. We like to call it the "EX Factor".

Wastewater organizations from regional and state levels have awarded Exeter Township 4 times for Operations and Maintenance (O&M) excellence, 3 times for Collection System O&M, 3 times for safety, as well as for our Industrial Pretreatment Program, Laboratory, and Beneficial Use of Biosolids. The US EPA has also recognized Exeter for O&M Excellence above systems in Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, and the District of Columbia. Individually, the combined staff has received a remarkable 18 awards for their dedication and work in the wastewater field.

Of the 14 staff members, 10 are Certified Wastewater Operators which is important since any process control measures must be made by, or under the direct supervision of a certified operator. Combined, they have 309 years of dedicated wastewater experience. Continuing education is strongly encouraged to keep abreast of changing regulations, practices, and technologies.

Returning clean water to the environment takes an enormous amount of work. Exeter goes beyond the basic requirements of protecting the water resources of Pennsylvania. Compliance sampling and analysis is performed on wastestreams from 8 industries and 46 commercial establishments on a quarterly basis. Those contributing strong waste are surcharged accordingly. The same goes for each of the nearly 7,800 loads of waste hauled to the treatment facility annually. ...continued on page 2



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Components of the wastewater process are sampled daily and adjustments are made based on those results.

The solids which were routinely disposed in a landfill are now treated to a level of "Exceptional Quality" and the pathogen free material is now put to beneficial reuse in agriculture and soil blending while realizing substantial savings for our customers.

Add to maintaining the treatment facility and the collection system which consists of 115 miles of pipe, 6 pump stations, 4 metering stations, and 22 residential grinder pumps, our staff is also called upon to assist in repairs at other Township facilities like the library, parks, Township Buildings and the Country Club.

We welcome civic groups, environmental classes from high schools, colleges and universities to come tour our award winning facilities and learn more about efforts to protect our environment.

So, the next time you watch water go down the drain remember, it's not the end of the line. It's only the beginning of environmental professionals' efforts.

Exeter Memorial Day Parade and ETVFD Open House

The American Legion Post 934's annual parade will travel through the streets of Reiffton and Crestwood on Monday, May 25th at 9am!

There will be an Open House at the ETVFD West Station (Reiffton) immediately following the Memorial Day services at 11am. Come learn more about your local fire department. Food, drinks, games, and fun for all ages! Free Hot Dogs, Soda, Chips, Pretzels!

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Family Fun Day

Lorane Elementary APT is hosting their annual Family Fun Day on **April 18, 2015** From 9am-3pm at Lorane Elementary!

Join us for a day filled with vendors, a car & motorcycle show, food concessions, outdoor family yard sale spaces, candy bar bingo, games, basket raffle & much more!

Test Drive for Kids! - With every test drive taken during Family Fun Day, the school will receive \$10! Sponsored by Anthony Dodge of Elverson.

Community Calendar Launched!

Have you seen the Community Calendar on our website? The purpose is to have a single location to house all of the community events that are of interest to (and open to all) Exeter Township residents, such as fundraisers, for-charity events, recreation events etc. You can view the calendar on the home page of



www.exetertownship.com

If you are part of an Exeter group and interested in posting your events to this calendar, it has been set up so that you can do so yourself! You will simply need to register for our website (top right corner, if you haven't already) and send an email to exeter@exetertownship.com with your registered user name along with some information about you, your organization, contact email address, and what you plan on posting. You will then receive a reply with instructions on how it works.

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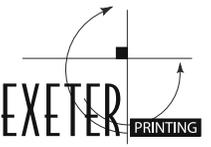
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SEASONAL NEWS

Mulch Available for Spring Planting

Mulch made from brush deposited at Trout Run is available for residents free of charge, if they choose to shovel it themselves.

Mulch can be purchased in large amounts and can be loaded on trucks, Monday through Friday from 8am to 12pm at a fee of \$3 for a one-yard scoop, or \$10 for a 3.5-yard scoop. It is for sale to anyone. **A voucher must be obtained** at the Township building and a waiver must be signed to acquire the mulch.

Be aware that this product is untreated and may contain weeds.



Basketball Nets in Streets

By ordinance, it is unlawful to have basketball nets in Township streets or right-of-ways. Having them in the street interfered with the plowing of our streets this winter and will also hinder street sweeping.

Curbside Brush Pick Up

Curbside brush pick up is scheduled the week of May 11th.

Residents must call the Township at (610) 779-5660 to make reservations a week before pick up is scheduled in their area.

Residents are asked to have their brush at the curb by 7am. Brush must be cut into lengths about 4 feet long, no larger than 4 inches in diameter, and bundled together with twine in size/weight that can be picked up by one person.

Please do not put brush into plastic bags or use plastic bag strips to tie bundles.

2015 Road Paving

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RECREATION NEWS

Group Exercise Classes at the Dunn Community Center

Classes are on-going and you can register anytime. More information is available on our website at www.exetertownship.com or by contacting Joe Seltzer at 610-406-0263 or jseltzer@exetertownship.com, Mary at 610-334-9287, or Kristen (for zumba) at 484-824-2205. The cost is \$40 for one 10-week session; \$75 for two; and, \$115 for three.

Cardio Sculpt and Tone - Mondays at 5:30pm, Wednesdays at 6:30pm, and Saturdays at 8am. This is a total infusion class using bars and weights with combined low impact/short cardio intervals and total body toning. Every segment can be modified for all levels.

Pilates - Is held on Mondays at 6:30pm and Tuesdays at 5:30pm. This class will streamline and strengthen the body and increase flexibility and control while you sculpt and elongate your muscles.

Zumba - Tuesdays and Thursdays (zumba toning) from 6:30pm to 7:20pm. Get in shape and have a blast. Zumba toning targets body sculpting using light weights and combines Zumba moves to great music for a high calorie-burning dance fitness class.

Gentle Yoga - New Class! Wednesdays at 5:15pm. A gentle mix of Hatha and Asana Yoga which can be modified for all skill levels. Relaxing and invigorating!

Flow Yoga - Will be held on Thursdays at 5:30pm. This class is geared for all levels of students taught by an expert instructor schooled in yoga therapy with 10 years of teaching experience.

NEW!

Adult Tennis Program

Exeter Parks & Recreation and Hillcrest Racquet Club are hosting a tennis program for adults on Monday (group lessons) and Wednesday (open play) nights from 6pm to 7:30pm for 6 weeks at Community Park. The program will begin on June 15th. Practice and play to learn the skills and tactics for a strong foundation and to develop consistency in the sport of a lifetime. The program will be directed by Mark O'Neill a certified PTR professional and trainer. The cost is \$65 and the sign-up form is on our website.

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Exeter Summer Playground Program

Exeter's summer playgrounds program will run from June 15th through August 6th. Over the 8-week summer program, children will be involved in a variety of theme-oriented activities offered at Lorane Hollow, Farming Ridge, Pineland, and Community Parks. Each park has scheduled weekly arts & crafts and every week there will be a special event for the children. (including a Water Festival, Crestwood Pool, a Body Zone trip, Reading Phillies Day and much more) We will hold occasional events for the entire family as well.

The cost for residents is \$70 for 8 weeks, \$40 for each additional child, or \$10 per week. The non-resident rate is \$90 for 8 weeks, \$50 for each additional child, or \$15 per each week. Additional fees will be charged for all trip costs to cover transportation and admissions. Lunches will be the responsibility of the parents or guardian. Playgrounds will close at noon on the day of trips that take place at night. **Parks & Recreation will not be responsible for any child after the program time is over.**

Pre-registration is scheduled to be held Saturday, May 30, 2015 at the Dunn Community Center, 4565 Prestwick Dr. from 10am to 1pm. Parents who are signing up children ages 4 or 5 for "Tot Lot" must bring a copy of the child's birth certificate. Children are eligible for the Playground Program if they are 4 years old by June 30, 2015 and potty trained. **Please have your paperwork ready when arriving.**

Park Programs

NEW AGE GROUPS!

Community Park, 1 Elm Street, will host the *Tot Lot Program* for children ages 4-7, Monday through Thursday from 9am to 2pm. Fridays are reserved for field trips.

Pineland Park, 375 Pineland Road and **Lorane Hollow Park**, 451 W. 48th Street, will host a *Playground Program* for children ages 7-13, Monday through Thursday from 9am to 2pm. Fridays are reserved for field trips.

Farming Ridge Park, 6075 Farming Ridge Blvd., will host a *Playground Program* for children ages 8-11 Monday through Thursday from 9am to 2pm. Fridays are reserved for field trips.

Summer Fun Camp will be held at Community Park for youths ages 11-15, Monday through Thursday from 11am to 2pm. This is a sports oriented camp. The cost is \$55 for 8 weeks, \$40 for additional child, or \$8 per week for township residents. The non-resident rate for sports camp is \$70 for 8 weeks, \$45 for each additional child, or \$10 per week.

For information and registration forms for playgrounds, or any youth sports program, go to www.exetertownship.com or contact Joe Seltzer, Parks & Recreation Superintendent, at 610-406-0263 or jseltzer@exetertownship.com



<p>Camp Discovery</p> <p>Summer BLAST</p> <p>Come check out our 18 foot water slide!</p>	<p>Get ready to get WET!</p> <p>Monday - Thursday</p> <p>June 22-25, 2015</p> <p>6:15pm - 8:15pm</p> <p>Kids Ages 3-12</p> <p>Antietam Valley Recreation Center (next to Antietam Pool)</p>
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Summer Youth Sports Programs

Summer Lacrosse Program

A 6-week Lacrosse program will begin on June 16th and will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays for kids ages 9-13 from 9am to 11am at Community Park. **Lacrosse sticks are required.** Helmets are recommended. The fee is \$40.

Craig Antush Baseball Camp

This camp is for boys and girls ages 7-14 and will be held from June 22nd to June 24th at Pineland Park's baseball field. From 9am-12pm each day participants will cover throwing, fielding, base running, hitting and pitching. The cost is \$100 for the week. www.exetertownship.com or email cjantush@ysu.edu to pre-register.

Stonersville Flames

Softball & Baseball Clinics

On Tuesday & Thursday evenings from July 8th -July 31st softball & baseball clinics will be held for boys & girls ages 6-12 from 6pm to 8pm at the Trout Run Sports Complex. Basic and advanced skill sets of girls' fast-pitch softball and boys' baseball will be taught. The fee is \$40.

Summer Basketball

Instructional League

A 6-week Basketball League will begin on June 2nd, and will be held on Tuesday & Thursday evenings for boys and girls ages 8-11 from 6pm to 8pm at Community Park. The program will offer 3 weeks of instruction and 3 weeks of league games. It will end with the 14th annual "*Exeter Township Tournament of Champions*" game. The program is limited to 90 participants and the fee is \$35.

Summer Basketball

Players League

A 6-week Youth Basketball League program will begin on June 1st and will be held on Monday & Wednesday evenings for kids ages 12-14 from 6pm to 8pm at Community Park. This program will feature a 1-week evaluation, 3 weeks of league games and a 2-week double elimination tournament. It will end with the "*9th Annual Jordan Jermacans Tournament*". The program is limited to 80 participants and the fee is \$35.

Summer Street Hockey

A 6-week Street Hockey program will begin on June 16th, and will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays for kids ages 9-14 from 9am to 11am at the Lorane Hollow Park Tennis Courts. The program will include 3 weeks of instruction and game experience and 3 weeks of all-game play. The YMCA and the Philadelphia Flyers organization have supplied all essential equipment. The fee is \$30.

Summer Tennis Program

A 6-week Tennis Program will begin on June 15th and will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays for kids ages 6-9 from 9am-10am and kids ages 10-14 from 10am to noon at the Community Park tennis courts. The program will feature 5 weeks of instruction followed by a week of doubles and singles tournaments. **Tennis racquets are required.** Every child will receive a T-shirt at the end of the program. The fee is \$40.

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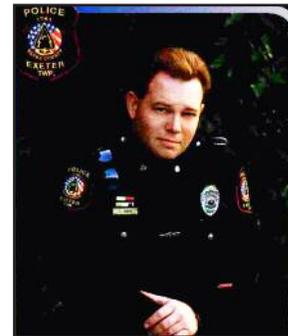
Cop's Corner

Hello Exeter Residents! Sgt. David L. Behm here, hoping this finds you all well and enjoying the beauty that only a long-awaited SPRING can deliver! Chief Neidert recently appointed me to supervise the Exeter Township Police Department Community Affairs Unit. Due to the positive feedback that "Cop's Corner" received when I wrote for it in the past, I want to re-visit this opportunity to reach out to you and convey some safety messages from the Department.

The Exeter Township Police Department continues to encourage Citizens to remain vigilant against the bad guys during these pleasant spring nights. With the warmer weather will come the spring cleaning, and "opening up" our homes to let out all that winter air. Do not let yourselves become easy targets for criminals! Bad guys seem to come out like roaches when the weather gets warm.

There are some simple things that you can do to keep your homes and your families safer. I have outlined a few suggestions below for you to consider....

OLD BROOM HANDLES MAKE GREAT SAFETY LOCKS! In warmer weather, we are too often tempted to leave sliding patio doors open and just close a screen. In the old days, we could do this and not worry. Now, bad guys think nothing of quietly cutting through a locked screen door with nothing more than a pocketknife! Consider only leaving your sliding door open about four inches overnight. You can make sure that no one outside can open it further by cutting down an old broom handle to the proper length and laying it in the floor track between the sliding door and the frame to block the door from opening any further. My folks called this a "Charlie – bar." Guys, please make sure that this is NOT the only broom in the house BEFORE you cut the handle off to make a Charlie-bar.



WE CAN'T HELP YOU if we can't find you! Your Police Officers, ambulance personnel, and firefighters will get to your residence as quickly as we can when you need help. That is our job and we are proud to do it. Unfortunately, so many homes do not have street numbers posted or clearly visible. Get some new stickers or surface numbers at the hardware store and post BOTH sides of your mailbox AND your front door or wall. If you have a long driveway, post a sign with the address street number at the end of your lane. All these things will help get emergency services to you faster when seconds count and feel like hours!

These are just a couple of the tips and suggestions that I give people who ask me how they can make their homes safer. If you found this letter helpful, please let your Township Office know. Contact your Exeter Police Office of Community Affairs with questions or comments.

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Answering the Call!

The Exeter Township Community Policing Unit is implementing a new section of the Police Pages in your Newsletter! The “ANSWERING THE CALL” articles have been created to give YOU the opportunity to share positive experiences that you have had with your Police Officers.

If you feel that an Officer has done a good job, gone above and beyond the call of duty, or otherwise is deserving of a “thank you,” then we want to hear from you!

Contact us by email at dbehm@exeterpolice.com to share your thoughts. Please let me know if you want your sentiments to be anonymous, or if you would like your full name or just your first name attached.

This is our chance to work together to express appreciation to our Officers for what they risk and sacrifice everyday while working to make our Community safer!

EXETER POLICE OFFICERS THANKED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Exeter Township School District and the Police Department continue to work together to keep our children safe from violence and to provide a secure learning environment in which they can flourish and grow. The School District recently voiced its appreciation and support for the Police Officers serving your community by posting a banner in the school and delivering a cake to the Department. The School’s expression demonstrates the excellent working partnership that the teachers and administrators enjoy with your Officers!

EXETER POLICE OFFICERS ACKNOWLEDGED BY GIANT FOOD STORE

*Sergeant’s note: The Exeter Police Department recently responded for a written bomb threat at the Giant Food Store. The responding Exeter Officers and Exeter Police K-9 dogs Kaz and Nitro, as well as members of the Reading Police Bomb Squad, cleared the store to make sure it was safe for residents and employees. This type of professional risk is willingly assumed by your Officers on a regular basis.

*“Chief Neidert,
I want to Thank You and your Officers for doing an outstanding job yesterday with the bomb threat we had at the store. Your Officers, as always, were professional and handled the situation with expertise.
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Dan Pelletier, General Store Manager 6446

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Exeter Police Officers Join Forces with the Township to Help Cub Scouts Assist “Veterans Making a Difference”

Over the Holidays and into the New Year, the Officers of the Exeter Township Police Department took up the cause yet again to lend a helping hand to Cub Scout Pack #144 in a collection drive for blankets, gloves, coats, and other winter items for homeless Veterans in Berks County.

This year, estimates of the number of homeless military veterans range between 30 and 50 just in this County. These are men and women who have served their Country, and ours. Some have trouble re-integrating into this society and their families when they return from combat tours. Others have stress disorders which we are still struggling to understand, diagnose, and treat. Whatever the circumstances that led to them living on the streets, in our woods, and under our bridges, they ALL face life-threatening dangers posed by severe winter conditions. These vets need our help, and so many of us are willing to do something but don't know where or how to start.

That is where the Cub Scouts enter the picture. Cub Pack #144 connected with the non-profit group “Veterans Making a Difference” to get some basic life essentials to some of these homeless vets. For the past two years, the Scouts have organized collection drives for tents, non-perishable food, and winter clothing to be donated to the group for direct distribution to those who need them the most. The Exeter Township Police Officers joined forces with the Township Administration to set up a collection point in front of the Township building for public contributions. Those items donated by Officers and other Township employees were delivered with those donated by the public to the Cub Pack to be transported to “Veterans Making A Difference.” THANK YOU for your generosity and compassion!!

The collaborative effort not only served to help those who have sacrificed so much to protect our freedom, but also reinforced good community values for the youth in the Cub Pack. Well done! If you still wish to make a contribution, feel free to visit the Exeter Township Police Department Facebook page, email dbehm@exeterpolice.com, or contact “Veterans Making a Difference” directly at 484-269-1874 for more information.

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Exeter Police Bid Farewell to Nancy!

After ten years of employment, the Exeter Township Police Department recently said congratulations to Police Secretary Nancy Joyce DeNunzio. Those who know Nancy can understand how easy it was for both the public and our Police Officers to react warmly to her contagious smile and laughter. What Nancy lacked in height she more than made up for in personality and humor. She is always quick with a kind word or a compassionate expression, and she will be sorely missed by her office peers and by the Police Officers with whom she worked so closely. Nancy decided to retire at the beginning of 2015 to spend time with her family, to whom she has always been very close. Her helpful attitude and dedication to the Exeter Police Department shall remain a positive example of true public service long after she has grown accustomed to the well-deserved relaxation that should accompany retirement. We all wish Nancy the very best and we will not forget her. We are proud to call her our friend.



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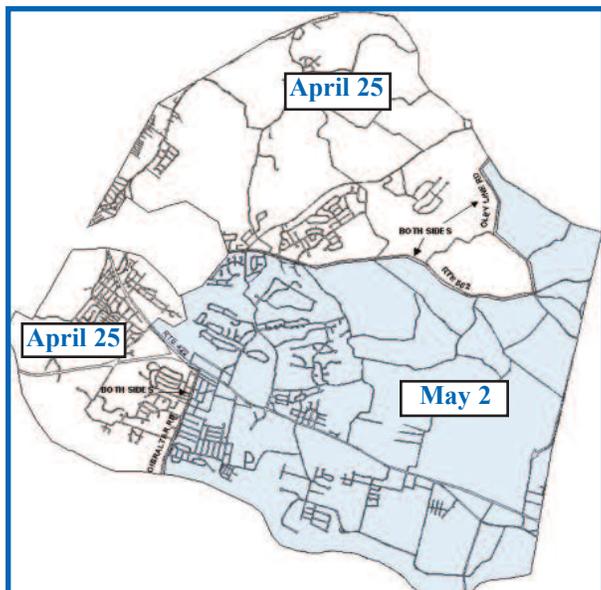
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EXETER COMMUNITY NEWS

Spring Clean Up Scheduled



The annual, free *Township-wide Spring Cleanup* has been scheduled for:

- April 25th** - Areas north of (and including) Boyertown Pike and west of (and including) Oley Line Road
- All of Reiffton
 - Areas south of Perkiomen Avenue but west of (and including) W. 47th Street/Gibraltar Road

May 2nd - Everywhere else not included above

Collection begins at 7am. Examples of items that can be picked up are washers & dryers, water heaters, stoves, large household items such as sofas, chairs, tables, bureaus, beds, and other bulky items.

In addition, refrigerators, air conditioners, freezers and dehumidifiers, that have a freon-free sticker from a certified refrigeration service company attached, will also be collected.

No electronics, tires, auto parts, construction or demolition waste, yard waste, or chemicals will be accepted. The community clean up is part of the Host Community Agreement between Exeter Township and the Pioneer Crossing Landfill. J.P. Mascaro & Sons will collect the items.



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