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SPRING 2018

A MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGER

I would like to thank everyone for the warm welcome to the Township.

My first few weeks have been a whirlwind of meeting new people and learning about all that makes Hanover Township so unique. I'm excited for the opportunity to be a part of the Township staff and I look forward to serving the Council as well as the residents and businesses within Hanover Township.

I reside in Coopersburg with my wife, two children and rescue dog. I grew up in the Quakertown area and graduated from Penn State University with a Civil Engineering degree. I'm joining the Hanover team after serving 13 years as the Zoning Officer in Lower Saucon Township, Northampton County. My professional background also includes heavy civil construction estimating and construction management as well as civil design engineering. In my spare time, I enjoy traveling with my family, skiing, cycling and running. In April I'll be running my 13th Boston marathon!

My door (or inbox) is always open, feel free to stop in, call or email me with any questions, concerns or just to introduce yourself.

Christopher Garges
Township Manager & Zoning Officer
cgarges@hanleco.org



Christopher Garges and his wife, Lauren



SOCIAL MEDIA

Keep your eye out on social media. The Township is in the process of creating a Facebook page. This will be a quick and easy way to keep up with all of the news and happenings in Hanover Township. If Facebook isn't your thing, the Township website provides up-to-date information pertaining to the Township and also links you to other Government offices and organizations which may provide you with assistance. All scheduled meetings of the various Boards of the Township are posted on the site. Minutes taken of Township meetings are also available for review on the site. Also available on the website for your review and use are both the Township's Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.
www.hanleco.org.

THE SANCTUARY AT HAAFSVILLE

As you may be aware, the Township contracts with the Sanctuary at Haafsville for animal control services. Contact the Sanctuary either by phone 484-788-8062 or online at thesanctuarypa@yahoo.com.

TROXELL STREET AREA GARAGE SALE

The Troxell Street Area Garage Sale will again be held the day before Mother's Day or **Saturday, May 12, 2018.** Good Luck to all participants!

FRIENDLY REMINDERS 2018 GARBAGE/RECYCLING COLLECTION

Garbage/Recycling Collection in the Township for the Year 2018 continues to be handled through J. P. Mascaro, Inc. Pickup day will continue to be Thursday. As you are aware, the service is provided to Township residents at no cost to the resident. Recycling is offered on a weekly basis.

Should you encounter problems with the collection process, you may either contact the Township at the Township Municipal Building between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. by phone (610) 264-1069 or contact the collector, J. P. Mascaro, Inc., directly at (610) 434-2501.

Storm Water Information

An illicit discharge is an unlawful act of disposing, dumping, spilling, emitting, or other discharge of any substance other than stormwater into the stormwater drainage system. The stormwater drainage system includes streets, ditches, catch basins, yard inlets, lakes, and streams.

Below are some examples of illicit discharges:

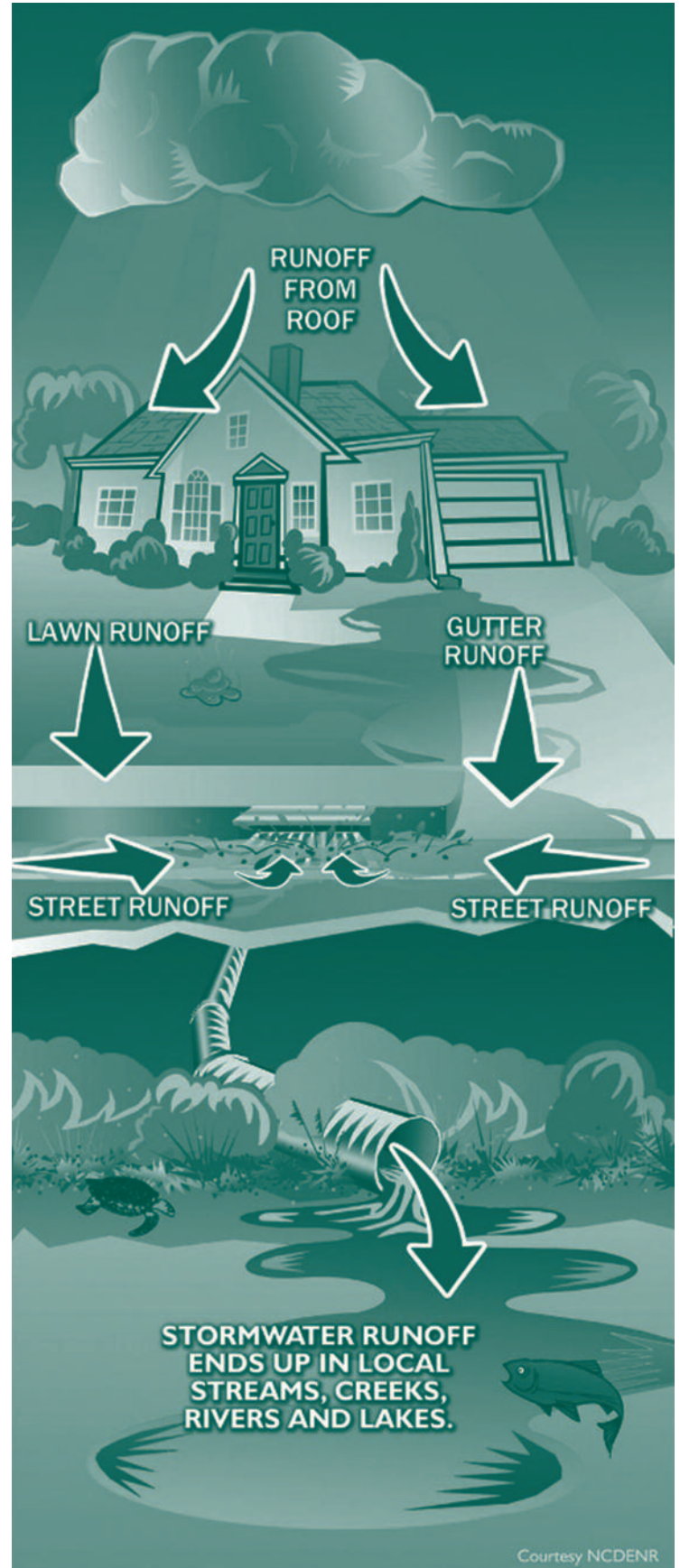
- Paint being poured into or near the storm drainage system
- Changing oil or antifreeze over or near a storm structure
- Washing vehicles where the runoff could drain into the storm drainage system
- Washing dumpster pads and allowing the runoff to drain into the storm drainage system

Is yard waste considered an illicit discharge?

Large amounts of yard waste can actually become harmful to our streams and creeks. Dumping yard waste into the storm drainage system can be considered a violation of Hanover's Illicit Discharge Ordinance. However, if residents are collecting leaves together along their curb line for the seasonal leaf collection program, this is an exception. Other than the seasonal leaf collection program (which is only for residential neighborhoods), residents can have their yard waste collected in paper bags or clear plastic bags on their regular garbage and recycling collection day.

Report Illicit Discharges

Prevent water pollution. Call the Hanover Township Municipal Building or email us at Hanleco.org to report an illicit discharge or any type of water pollution in our streams or stormwater inlets. In case of emergencies, call 911.



Courtesy NCDENR

Han-Le Co Volunteer Fire Department

Talk about new beginnings. The year was 1978 and Hanover Township, with the help of Bud Santee, Don Miller, Dick Irving, and a few others, managed to secure a LaFrance Fire truck for \$60,000.

This began the Han-Le Co Volunteer Fire Department. The truck was housed in the garage of the Township Building on Grove Road and there were 30 members on its roster. Of course at that time, there was only houses, townhouses, mobile home parks, a shopping center on Catasauqua Road and one small industrial park on Race Street. The call volume was about 40 calls per year. In September of 1981 the fire company moved into their current fire house on Postal Road with a pumper, a reconditioned tanker and a donated Squad truck. In 1998 a building addition was constructed to the existing fire station, which consisted of a training room, office and storage room. This was needed since the call volume increased to 200 calls per year. Another industrial park on Postal Road increased the traffic and the need for new equipment. In 1999 a new automatic External Defibrillator and a Thermal Imaging Camera was purchased. Also in 1999, the fire company encountered its worst disaster, an explosion at Concept Science on Roble Road. There were 400-500 emergency workers from all over Pennsylvania assisting Han-Le-Co Fire Company with this explosion. Five individuals lost their lives and there were two survivors. In 2006 a new International Squad truck was purchased which provides traffic control

devices for the Fire Police, EMS Supplies, Haz-Mat Materials, Incident Command and other uses. This unit was valuable with the calls up to 300 per year. Through the years new trucks have been purchased by the Township Council to ensure the fire fighters and fire police have the best equipment for the job at hand.

Han-Le Co will enter their 40th year of service this fall . While they have lost some of the members over the year to age, jobs, and family commitments, the volunteer's hearts remain the same. Memorial Bricks are placed at the Station honoring the lives of those who served. Two members have been there since the beginning. Sharon Yoder is the Treasurer of Han- Le-Co and Robin Yoder has risen from one of the first volunteers to its Chief for the last 25 years. Membership has maintained about 40 Active Members and the call volume has increased to 300 calls per year. All from volunteers!

Anyone who is interested in joining the Fire Company and becoming an asset to the community should contact the Fire Station. Hanover Township Council applauds your dedication and congratulates the Fire Company and its valued members for a job well done.



2018 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS

Sherwood Park Baseball Field Rehabilitation - Anticipated to start Spring 2018. A total restoration of the ballfield will take place this Spring which will allow the field to drain properly after rain events. The proper drainage will create a safer/better playing surface. Ballfield will be closed during construction and for some time after to allow the grass to grow back in. Signs and fence will be in place to restrict movement on the field during and after the construction.

Lower Lloyd Street Sanitary Sewer Replacement - Approximately 1,000 feet of pipe and 4 manholes will be updated to current standards. The work is scheduled to start Spring 2018.

Willowbrook Road Sanitary Sewer Replacement - Approximately 600 feet of pipe and 4 manholes will be updated to current standards. The work is scheduled to start Summer 2018.

FEDEX ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

The following update has been provided by the contractor working on the road improvements within Hanover Township which are associated with the FedEx project in Allen Township.

1. The Willowbrook Road bypass road will "go live" in mid April.
2. Willowbrook Road improvements will continue through late July.
3. The Willowbrook Road / Race Street intersection work will be completed by July.
4. Work on the Airport Road & Race Street and Airport Road & Shoenersville Road signals will be completed by mid August.
5. Shoenersville Road / Airport Road / Race Street improvements will continue through mid September.
6. The majority of the road work on Race Street, Willowbrook Road & Airport Road will be completed by mid September. Final paving and landscaping will be done by late October.

HANOVER TOWNSHIP NEW TENANTS/NEW OWNERS

BIG TIME CORPORATION LLC
2201 HANGAR PLACE

CJS CLEANING SERVICES, LLC
3360 AIRPORT ROAD
2ND FLOOR

GRAZIE ITALIANO
1860 CATASAUQUA RD.

**AMC THEATERS
(NEW OWNER)**
1701 CATASAUQUA ROAD

STEVE LYNCH FITNESS
795 ROBLE ROAD

FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK

Sandra Pudliner served as the Township Manager since 1987 and retired at the end of 2017. During that period of time, the Township evolved from a residential farming community to a bustling commercial industrial Township. The Township faced a challenge filling the position of Township Manager and interviewed a number of applicants for this position. Council found the perfect fit and hired Christopher Garges as it's Manager to carry the Township forward. The Board is pleased to welcome Chris and encourage you to stop by and meet him!!!



Bruce Paulus, Chairman

2018 Tax Revenues

Tax revenues provide the means by which government provides its constituents with services, road maintenance, local schools financing, etc. With respect to your community, you should be advised that Hanover Township has again, for the **Year 2018, maintained** its real estate millage for the Township at 0.07955 mills. Real estate tax amounts remain the same. Continued prudent fiscal management allows the Township to do so without sacrificing services to its constituents.

2018 ELECTIONS

To vote in the upcoming elections, please note the following voting timetable for 2018.

Primary Election Day
Tuesday, May 15, 2018

General Election Day
Tuesday, November 6, 2018

The polls open at 7:00 A.M. at the Township Fire Station on Postal Road and close at 8:00 P.M. Please be aware that the Township Fire Station has been designated as the permanent polling place for Hanover Township.

2018 PARKS & RECREATION

With spring upon us, the time of year to enjoy the outdoors has arrived. Township residents will be able to enjoy the use of the Township's three park systems: Chestnut Grove Park located adjacent to the Township Municipal Building; Sherwood Park, located at the end of Sherwood Street; and Canal Park, located off of Dauphin Drive.

As you may be aware, the Township parks offer a multitude of different activities. Chestnut Grove Park and Sherwood Park offer playground equipment for small children. Chestnut Grove Park also offers a basketball court, a volleyball court, a street hockey/tennis court, a pavilion area, and a gazebo. Sherwood Park includes a baseball/softball field, a volleyball court, two tennis courts, two basketball courts, and a pavilion area. Portable restroom facilities are available in both parks. Canal Park is considered the Township's passive recreation park. Canal Park offers a towpath, two gazebos, as well as a 45' by 72' pavilion to accommodate large group functions. In addition, Canal Park includes a lake area, a parking lot area, permanent restroom facilities, a picturesque waterfall, and a Veterans Memorial.

With regard to Sherwood Park, a total restoration of the ballfield will take place this Spring which will allow the field to drain properly after rain events. The proper drainage will create a safer/better playing surface. Ballfield will be closed during construction and for some time after to allow the grass to grow back in. Signs and fence will be in place to restrict movement on the field during and after the construction.



Reservation fees paid by residents for the pavilion areas are as follows;

Sherwood Park - No Charge
(\$100.00 Refundable Security Deposit Required)

Canal Park - No Charge
(\$250.00 Refundable Security Deposit Required)

Note: Refundable Security is required to assure that the Park is left in good condition (all garbage placed in trash receptacles, restroom facilities left in order, no vandalism of the facilities, etc.)

All groups represented by a resident may reserve the park pavilion areas, but the resident will be required to fill out a Reservation Form available at the Township Municipal Building.

All requests for reservation of the park pavilion areas should be made by contacting the Township office at (610) 264-1069 between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. or via the Township website under the "Parks & Recreation" tab.

2018 STREET CLEANING SERVICES

As you are likely aware, the Township's street sweeping program commenced in April. This is the second year for the program. The program was created in response to state and federal permit requirements in conjunction with the Township's recent renewal of our National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit. As a result of additional

requirements placed on municipalities with respect to such service, the Township felt that long term it is more economical to handle street cleaning in house. A schedule has been developed for street cleaning to occur twice a month from April through November in a calendar year. Parking restrictions will be placed on Township streets (new signage was placed throughout residential areas advising when parking is prohibited on the street). The schedule for street cleaning will also be posted on the Township's website.

With respect to the schedule, please note the following parking restrictions for street cleaning purposes April through November of a calendar year:

1st & 3rd Monday - 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	
South Side	East Side
Grove Road	Diane Blvd
Irma Drive	Ronca Blvd
Barness Drive	
1st & 3rd Tuesday - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.	
East Side	South Side
Sherwood Street	Taft Street
Tacoma Street	Clarence Avenue
Ulster Street	Hoover Avenue
Troxell Street	
1st & 3rd Wednesday - 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	
North Side	West Side
Irma Drive	Ronca Blvd
Barness Drive	Diane Blvd

1st & 3rd Friday - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.	
West Side	North Side
Sherwood Street	Taft Street
Tacoma Street	Clarence Avenue
Ulster Street	Hoover Avenue
Pennsylvania Avenue	
Troxell Street	

1 st Monday	1 st Wednesday	1 st Thursday	3 rd Thursday
Catasauqua Road	Cascade Drive	Postal Road	Irving Street
Lloyd Street	Fashion Drive	Hayden Circle	Cedar Hill Drive
	Lower Willow Brook	Hangar Place	Canal Park
		Marcon Blvd	
		Roble Road	