

CAERNARVON NEWS

BERKS COUNTY



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Public Works News



Very Important Reminders

Mower/Grass Clippings

Please do not discharge mower/grass clippings into the streets. Caernarvon Township is in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed, and any debris discharged into the street will end up as fertilizer for the negative growth occurring in the bay. It is also a Federal violation of the Clean Water Act.

Additionally, per Township Ordinance #296 grass clippings and yard waste are not permitted to be dumped/disposed of in Township rights-of-way, easements, open spaces and common areas. There is a designated area for such at the landfill. Thank you.



Community Clean Up Efforts - Thank You!

Word has been spreading that citizens are helping the community by cleaning up debris in their neighborhoods. Thank you for those random acts of kindness!

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John Scalia, Chief
Lee Benson, Interim Chief

FOR AN EMERGENCY, DIAL 911
For Non-emergency, call 610-286-1012

COVID-19 DONATIONS – THANK YOU!

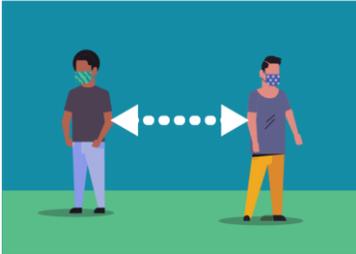
The Caernarvon Township Police Department would like to thank all those who continue to support us during the COVID-19 pandemic. We have received so many donations of Personal Protective supplies such as hand sanitizer and gloves to help protect our officers as they continue to serve the Township. We have also received some delicious food donations that is much appreciated and quickly devoured!

Your police department continues to respond to all emergency calls for service, patrol the township, take reports for all types of incidents and investigate crime. Though the police lobby may be closed for the time being, rest assured that we are here to serve and protect just as we always have.

Our goal is to keep the Caernarvon Township residents well informed of upcoming events and important news through the quarterly newsletters. Copies will be distributed throughout the community at locations such as the Village Library, the Joanna Store, the Heritage Restaurant, Styer Insurance Agency, Inc., Claire's Family Restaurant, State Farm Insurance, Caernarvon Township Authority, Morgantown Coffee Shop, Doug's Pharmacy, and Twin Valley Coffee. Copies can also be found on our website, www.caernarvon.org.

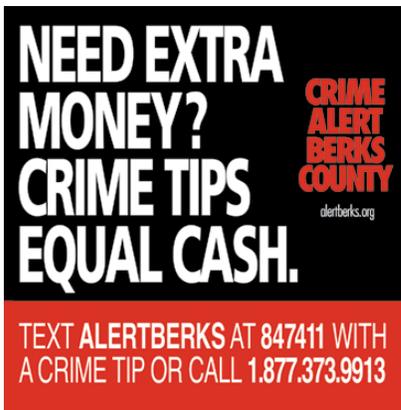
Chief of Police Message - Continued

Please continue to follow recommended social distancing, stay at home rules and the wearing of masks to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. We are all in this together and will get through this together.



~~ CrimeWatch Website ~~

Everyone is encouraged to visit the CrimeWatch website and sign up for this free service. You will be able to view crime information for Caernarvon Township such as incident types, dates of offenses, and view a street map depicting crime locations to be able to keep you safe and aware of what's going on in your neighborhood. There is also a link to Crime Alert Berks to provide an anonymous tip about crimes and earn rewards up to \$10,000.



Lock Those Car Doors!

Please always lock your car every night before going to bed. An unlocked car presents an opportunity for theft. Most thefts from vehicles occur when the car is left unlocked. Take away that opportunity for theft by locking up those car doors every night.

Caernarvon Township Calendar of Events:



- * May 25, 2020 – Memorial Day Holiday (Office Closed)
- * June 16-20, 2020 – Morgantown Carnival (carnival dates subject to change)
- * June 20, 2020 – First Day of Summer

Reminder - Township Supervisors' meetings are held 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Township building. The public is welcome to attend. **NOTE:** At this time, COVID-19 precautions are in effect for meetings. Please go to the Township website and facebook page for more information.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q – Why Do Zoning Regulations exist for Communities?

A – Zoning Regulations are important for regulating the use of land and structures built upon it. Regulations are in place to give communities a road map or set of rules. Zoning is a consideration for how a community grows. It divides the community into different districts, limiting the uses allowed in each. Laws are then created to regulate such things as how each district can be used (commercial, residential, agricultural).

Q – Do I need a permit for roof repairs?

A - Yes, if the work includes structural repairs/replacement. If you are simply replacing old shingles you typically do not need a permit unless it is for a commercial building.



Tri County Historical Society



**Helen Louise Hart –
A Lady Who Lived at 3308 Main Street in Morgantown**

(Article Submitted by Jere Brady)

Helen was a lady of many talents. She moved to Morgantown when her dad passed away and the Hart Farm was sold. Helen’s brothers and sisters married and moved away and Helen stayed with her parents until their death. The upper story of the spring house provided a sanctuary for her and her artistry. It was nothing unusual for her to gain prizes for her flower displays at the Elverson Flower Club’s yearly Flower show. She occupied the second floor of Herbert and Marilyn Kratzer apartment house at 3308 Main Street, Morgantown, PA. At Christmas time, she would bring forth all the antique Christmas decorations to attractively display these precious items. Neighbors and friends would look forward to her yearly displays. Helen even decorated the inside stairs to her second floor apartment. She graduated from Birdsboro High School in 1949. They were nicknamed The 49ers. Helen was always very thin and very very active.

The following is word by word of what her niece Pat Peffley read at Helen’s funeral at Harmony United Methodist Church. Harmony Methodist Church was in Caernarvon Township. But, the Borough of New Morgan cut away a portion of Caernarvon Township and also Robeson Township. The following in quotes is from Mrs. Peffley..

“We are gathered today to celebrate the life of our beloved aunt and friend. Helen Louise Hart, born November 26, 1930 and returned to God on January 1, 2020.....

Article to be continued in Summer Newsletter

PARKS & RECREATION NEWS



Stay Safe and Have a Happy Spring!



Your ideas for the 250th Anniversary Celebration are welcomed! Please feel free to contact the Township Office for more information, 610-286-1010.



**6th ANNUAL
MORGANTOWN COMMUNITY CARNIVAL
JUNE 16 -20, 2020
(Dates subject to change due to COVID-19)**

FOOD VENDORS, GAMES, AND MORE!

Carnival Contact Information:



- *Facebook Page - Morgantown Carnival 2020**
- *Email - morgantowncarnival@gmail.com**



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