



# TALK *of the* TOWNSHIP

A Newsletter for our Residents

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## TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S UPDATE

Ligonier Township's public works crew will be preparing for winter in a couple months and planned work on the Clifford Woods Bridge may be completed before winter arrives. We have a very tight window to begin the Clifford Woods Bridge Replacement project and any delay in the coming weeks could push this project to next spring.

As for the Regional Police discussions with Ligonier Borough, they are considered stalled and closed for 2017. Ligonier Township Supervisors sent a proposed "Charter Agreement" appointing two Supervisors to the proposed "Regional Police Commission" in June and no action was taken by Ligonier Borough. No new talks are scheduled with the Borough until the Joint Comprehensive Plan is completed in early 2018. In addition to work on the Joint Comprehensive Plan, the Ligonier Township Planning Commission continues to work on the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.

## TAX COLLECTOR

By Sue R. Kinsey

County and Township (spring) taxes are now at Penalty until December 31, 2017. School (fall) Taxes for 2017-2018 can be paid at Face Value until November 30, 2017 then at Penalty until December 31, 2017. The last day to pay your 2nd installment payment is October 31, 2017; the last day to pay your 3rd Installment payment is November 30, 2017.

If you pay after these dates on your Installment payments there will be a 10% penalty added. If you do not receive your statement, please contact the Tax Office. Failure to receive a statement does not relieve the Taxpayer of the responsibility of payment. A drop-off slot is available at the township tax collectors office to accept payments before or after business hours. Change of mailing address protocol: Address request forms are available at the tax office to be mailed to:

Westmoreland County Real Property Tax Division  
ATTN: Address Change  
40 North Pennsylvania Ave, Suite 440  
Greensburg, PA 15601

### Office Hours:

Tuesday through Thursday  
8:00 a.m. till Noon  
1:00 p.m. till 3:00 p.m.  
Friday - 8:00 a.m. till Noon

### Tax Office will be closed:

October 5 & 6  
October 12 & 13 for Fort Days  
November 22, 23, 24 for Thanksgiving  
December 22 through 26, 2017

Sue R Kinsey  
Tax Collector  
724-238-2300

## WESTMORELAND COUNTY LICENSE TO CARRY PERMIT

The Westmoreland County Sheriff's Office will be at the Ligonier Township Municipal Building to issue License to Carry Permits on:

- Wednesday, August 30
- Wednesday, September 27
- Wednesday, October 25
- Wednesday, November 29
- Wednesday, December 27

The available hours are 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. on each of the above listed dates.

# TOWNSHIP NEWS

## NEW EMPLOYEES:

### **Josh Kalp** **Manager, LTMA**

Josh comes to the Township with a BS in Civil Engineering Technology from Pitt Johnstown. Prior to taking the job with the Municipal Authority, he spent 16 years as a Project Manager for the EADS Group, Inc. He is both a licensed Professional Engineer and Water/Wastewater Operator in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We want to welcome Josh to the team and wish him luck in his endeavors here.

jkalp@ligtwpwater.com

### **Keith Ashley** **Code Enforcement Officer,** **Township of Ligonier**

Keith comes to the Township with a B.A. in Public Administration from Indiana University of PA. Prior to taking the job with the Township, he spent 15 years in the environmental compliance field with the PA Department of Environmental Protection. He also has experience in land use planning.

Welcome aboard, Keith!

## **2016 STREET LIGHT AND FIRE HYDRANT DEADLINE 12/31/17**

Fees are now overdue as of May 1, and have had a 10% penalty added to them.

These fees are being collected by Ligonier Township, and all payments should be made to: Ligonier Township.

**Please be sure to make  
your payment before  
December 31, 2017 to  
avoid liens being placed  
on your property.**



## **TRICK OR TREAT**

The Ligonier Township Supervisors have designated Tuesday, October 31, 2017 as Trick or Treat in the township, between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Please be extra cautious when traveling at this time and watch for children. Although the township designates October 31 as the official Halloween date, we do not discourage or prevent anyone from going trick or treating on any other day. This is simply

the date that we will have extra police on patrol in the interest of public safety. Please make sure that younger children are accompanied by an adult or older sibling and check all candy when they return home.



**The Ligonier Township Municipal Building will be closed on:  
October 13 • November 7, 23, 24, 27 • December 25**

**The Township Building is open Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

# TOWNSHIP NEWS

**PLEASE NOTE: THIS EVENT WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 18 BUT HAD TO BE MOVED UP A WEEK TO NOVEMBER 11. WE APOLOGIZE FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE.**

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection

**When: Saturday, November 11, 2017**  
**Time: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (pre-registration required)**  
**Where: Westmoreland Cleanways Recycling Center**  
**113 Innovative Lane**  
**Latrobe, PA 15650**

Cost:

\$.75 per pound, weighed on site

\$.65 per pound for Westmoreland Cleanways and Recycling members

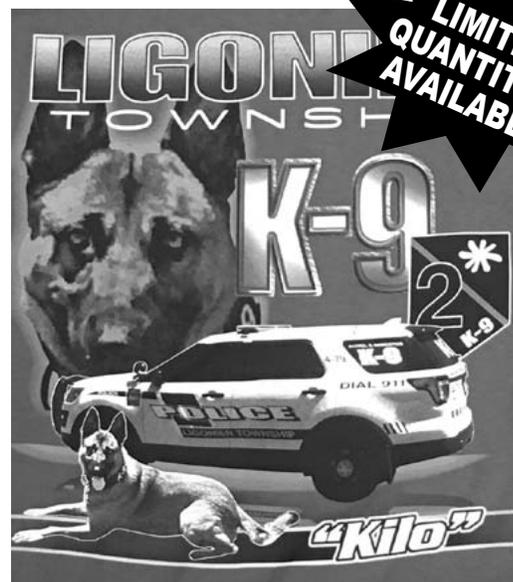
(Current members only; memberships will not be offered at the event. For membership information, visit [www.westmorelandcleanways.org](http://www.westmorelandcleanways.org) or call 724-879-4020).

\*\*HHW will only be accepted on special collection days; Recycling Center employees are not legally permitted to handle HHW at any other time.\*\*



## BAGGED LEAVES

The Township will be collecting bagged leaves and brush at the Ligonier Township Municipal Building this season. The drop off location is located next to the recycling bins to the left of the building. Please note that this service is available for Township residential use only, and not for commercial entities. **Please do not deposit your fallen leaves into the ditches near your homes. This inhibits the flow of water during rain/runoff events and can cause roadway hazards.**



## K-9 T-SHIRTS

T-shirts are \$20 and Sweatshirts are \$30 for sizes Small-3XL. Youth size S-L are also available, though quantities are limited. You can do so by contacting Jimmy via Facebook (Ligonier Township PD K-9) or stopping by the Township to see Roxanne.

## LIGONIER VALLEY FIRE COMPANIES



Our municipality is very fortunate to have fire protection and other emergency services provided by a volunteer fire service. Historically, it's always been that way. But, what about the future? The trend across the Commonwealth is that there are fewer and fewer volunteers willing serve. State Fire Commissioner, Tim Solobay, ranks dwindling membership levels as the second biggest problem facing the volunteer fire service. (Funding is number one). Our local fire companies freely acknowledge that maintaining their membership rolls is a growing problem. New members would certainly be welcome at all the fire companies.

Fund raising - or more specifically the time devoted to it – is one of several factors which contributes to the declining membership problem. Fortunately, it is part of the problem that you can help resolve. When the opportunity presents itself, make a financial contribution.

Our local volunteer firefighters conduct an annual fund drive organized by the Ligonier Valley Fire Companies. They do this through the mail – not by telephone. Their mailing is made each year in late June or early July. When you receive their letter, think about the hundreds of times each year they are called upon for emergencies. Think how expensive it would be to replace them with a paid, professional fire service. Then, make a generous contribution to keep the priceless protection that we currently have. Everyone should try to do what they can. Even small contributions are better than none at all.

The Ligonier Valley Fire Companies' campaign raises money for all four local fire companies: Darlington, Waterford, Wilpen, and Ligonier. The annual campaign is run entirely by volunteers. Their track record is clear and it is impressive. Ninety-five cents of every dollar goes to the fire companies! That's yet another reason to be proud of how the volunteer fire service is conducted in our community. We encourage all township residents and businesses to show your support and contribute to this campaign.

"Ligonier Valley Fire Companies"  
P.O. Box FIRE  
Ligonier, PA 15658

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# DARLINGTON INN

Transylvanian - Hungarian Cuisine

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Leslie & Elizabeth Kastal - Owners  
1473 Darlington Road, Ligonier, PA 15658  
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Email: darlingtonInn@yahoo.com



## Constance Donovan Matson D.V.M.

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Cell: 724-331-4475  
Email: donovanc@vt.edu

# TIBERI'S

- LAWN CARE
- SNOW REMOVAL
- DRIVEWAY SEALING
- LEAF REMOVAL

Insured

All Services for Residential or Commercial

**724-238-3685**



## McInchok Sanitation

Commercial - Residential

ROLL OFF SERVICE • WE RECYCLE

**724-238-4537**

104 Jackson Lane

Ligonier, PA 15658

## WALL COVERING SPECIALIST

**JIM TOROCK**

Painting and Wall Covering

P.O. Box 297 • Laughlintown, PA 15655  
Res: 724-238-5279



## VALLEY LANDSCAPING & LAWN CARE

724-238-2290

PA061698

18 Mallard Lane  
Ligonier PA 15658

Mowing/Landscaping  
Excavator/Skid Loader/Dump Truck



Bethlen Communities

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Bethlen Communities is a non-profit, faith-based Continuing Care Retirement Community that offers:

- Bethlen Home Skilled Nursing & Rehab
- Ligonier Gardens Personal Care Home
- Home Health and Hospice
- In-Home Companion Caregiver Services
- Independent Living Retirement Community
- Graceful Aging Wellness Center



## BEAUFORT SERVICES, INC.

Plumbing, Heating and Electrical



- Furnace Maintenance
- Sewer-Water Lines
- Backhoe Service
- Electric Eel Service



HEATING **LENNOX** COOLING

3731 Route 711, Ligonier, PA 15658

**724-238-3471**

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**MEETINGS**  
**OCTOBER • NOVEMBER • DECEMBER**

- Ligonier Township Municipal Building.....724-238-2725
- Ligonier Township Municipal Authority** ..... 4:00 p.m.  
 October 4 • November 1 • December 6
- Lig. Twp. Municipal Authority Work Session**..... 4:00 p.m.  
 October 4 • November 1 • December 6
- Ligonier Township Supervisors**..... 7:00 p.m.  
 October 10 • November 14 • December 12
- Ligonier Township Supervisors Work Session** 4:30 p.m.  
 October 24 • November 28 • December 26
- Ligonier Township Recreation Board**..... 7:00 p.m.  
 October 9 • November 13 • December 11
- Ligonier Township Planning Commission** ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 October 26 • November 23 • December 21
- Ligonier Township Zoning Hearing Board** ..... 7:30 p.m.  
 October 17 • November 21 • December 19

**Volunteer Fire Departments Directory**

- Waterford Volunteer Fire Department..... 724-238-0471  
 Chief Robert Beaufort
- Darlington Volunteer Fire Department..... 724-238-4820  
 Chief Robert McDowell                      Cell....814-242-3785
- Wilpen Volunteer Fire Department ..... 724-238-6585  
 Chief Michael DiRinaldo

**LIGONIER TOWNSHIP**  
**DIRECTORY**

- Ligonier Township Supervisors:** Wade Thomas (Chairman), Paul Knupp (Vice-Chairman), Bruce Robinson (Secretary/Treasurer), D. Scott Matson, Gary Thistlethwaite
- Ligonier Township Manager/Zoning Officer** .....724-238-2725 ext 110  
 Terry Carcella
- Ligonier Township Financial Administrative Assistant/ Assistant Secretary/Treasurer**..... 724-238-2725 ext 111  
 Roxanne Shadron
- Ligonier Public Works Director**..... 724-238-2725 ext 139  
 Russell Morgan
- Ligonier Township Administrative Assistant Public Works/Police Depts.** .....724-238-2725 ext 112  
 Laurel Ross
- Ligonier Township Police** ..... 724-238-5105  
 Chief of Police Michael W. Matrunics
- Ligonier Twp. Code Enforcement Officer**.....724-238-2725 ext 115  
 Keith Ashley
- Ligonier Township Municipal Authority** ..... 724-238-2725  
 Manager - Josh Kalp.....ext 340  
 Secretaries - Haidee Street.....ext 314  
                   - Gail Barnhart.....ext 313
- Ligonier Township Tax Collector** ..... 724-238-2300  
 Sue R. Kinsey
- Ligonier Township Web Site**..... www.ligoniertownship.com
- Ligonier Township Fax Number** ..... 724-238-3711
- Pennsylvania Municipal Service Co** ..... 412-828-2178
- Berkheimer Tax Administrator** ..... 866-701-7206