

WEST COCALICO TOWNSHIP



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Spring/Summer 2020

Be Part of the Solution to Stormwater Pollution

Storm drains are part of a separate pipe collection system where they collect stormwater which then flows directly into our area streams, rivers, lakes and into the ocean without any treatment at all. When storm drains lead directly to our waterways, it can cause flooding downstream and also bring significant pollution (i.e. common contaminants from our city landscape like oil, fertilizers, pet waste, yard waste, etc) into our waterways without any treatment. Anything but pure rain water is a potential contaminant that negatively impacts water quality & aquatic life, as stormwater runoff often carries nutrients, sediment, and *E. coli* with it.

**ALL STORMDRAINS LEAD DIRECTLY
TO OUR PONDS, RIVERS & BAYS**



Be sure to check the drain BEFORE a rain event to ensure the drain is not blocked with things that will wash into the drain when it rains. In winter, snow and ice can also block the drain leading to standing water in the street and flooding. When possible, remove as much of the snow and ice as possible and create a 1 foot path along the curb leading to the drain. Pollutants from yards and streets will accumulate in the snow and ice over the winter and then rush into the drain and nearby stream during spring thaws.

Nothing but Rain Down the Drain!

United States®
**Census
2020**

Starting in mid-March, homes across the country will begin receiving an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census.

The best way to avoid a visit from a census taker is to fill out the 2020 Census questionnaire online, by phone, or by mail as soon as you receive your invitation to participate.

For more information, visit
<https://2020census.gov/>

Early Childhood Opportunities at Cocalico School District - Spring 2020

Cocalico School District offers a variety of **FREE** workshops and events for young children.

Plant the Seed of Learning Sessions: For Children Birth to Age 2

Held at WellSpan Ephrata Hospital from 6:00-7:00pm. Register at planttheseedoflearning.org.
Upcoming Sessions include: Brain & Literacy (3/5/2020), Your Baby Can Talk (4/9/2020) and Plant the Seed of Science (5/14/2020).

Grow the Seed of Learning Sessions: For Children Ages 2-4

Held at Keystone Villa of Ephrata from 6:00-7:00pm.
Register at planttheseedoflearning.org.
Upcoming session: Grow the Seed of Science (4/21/2020)

Pre-Kindergarten Workshops: For Children Attending Kindergarten in 2020

Held from 6:00-7:00pm at locations listed below.
Register by calling (717) 336-1412 or email kristin_slovik@cocalico.org.
Pre-K Open House for Denver students - March 31 - Denver Elementary
Pre-K Open House for Reamstown students - April 7 - Reamstown Elementary
Pre-K Open House for Adamstown students - April 8 - Adamstown Elementary



Kindergarten Registration

Adamstown
March 30-31, 2020

Reamstown
April 2-3, 2020

Denver
April 6-7, 2020

Please contact the school that your child will be attending to complete important documents and set up your required registration appointment.

COCALICO COMMUNITY DINNERS



At least once a month a **free** meal is served at various locations to anyone desiring to have a tasty meal with others within our community. There is no requirement or paperwork to fill out for these meals. All you need is a good appetite.

2020 Community Dinner Schedule

Sun. 3/29 - 11:30 a.m. – Salem Reformed Church, Church St, Reamstown
 Thurs. 4/23 - 6:00 p.m. - Trinity United Methodist, 420 Main St, Denver
 Thurs. 5/14 - 6:00 p.m. - Trinity United Methodist, 420 Main St, Denver
 Thurs. 5/28 - 6:00 p.m. – Trinity United Methodist, 420 Main St, Denver
 Sat. 5/30 - 8:00 a.m. - Cocalico Comm. Church, 1200 W. Swartzville Rd, Reinholds
 Sun. 5/31 - 11:30 a.m. - Salem Reformed Church, Church Street, Reamstown
 Thurs. 6/25 - 6:00 p.m. - Trinity United Methodist, 420 Main St, Denver
 Thurs. 7/9 - 6:00 p.m. - Trinity United Methodist, 420 Main St, Denver
 Thurs. 7/23 - 6:00 p.m. - Trinity United Methodist, 420 Main St, Denver
 Thurs. 8/27 - 6:00 p.m. - Trinity United Methodist, 420 Main St, Denver
 Sat. 8/29 - 8:00 a.m. - Cocalico Comm. Church, 1200 W. Swartzville Rd, Reinholds
 Sun, 8/30 - 11:30 a.m. - Salem Reformed Church, Church Street, Reamstown
 Thurs. 9/17 - 6:00 p.m. - Trinity United Methodist Church, 420 Main St, Denver

ADAMSTOWN LIBRARY
 3000 N. Reading Road, P.O. Box 356
 Adamstown, PA 19501
 (717) 484-4200 www.adamstownarealibrary.org

1,2,3 Play with Me Workshops: March 27 & April 3 9:30 - 10:30 am. Best for ages 1-3 with caregiver. Each week offers opportunities for children to play while parents meet with specialists in the areas of child development, movement, nutrition, early literacy and speech/hearing. **Session will be held at Lighthouse Youth Center, 239 Main St, Denver.**

Babysitting Basics: Monday, April 20 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. Presented by WellSpan Cocalico Center for Health. How can you become a better babysitter? Learn about personal safety, child development, CPR, 1st Aid & Behavior Management. Ages 11-16 years old. **Registration required**

FAFSA Lab: Saturday, April 18 11:00 - 12:00. Is your child going to college? Do you need help filling out the FAFSA to get federal aid?

Annual Book Sale: May 6 - May 9 (times vary per day). Thanks to the Friends of the Adamstown Area Library. Sale held at Peace United Church of Christ, Denver (along 897), Central PA Blood Bank will be at the sale on Saturday morning.

Summer Reading Kickoff Party: May 30 - Drop-in from 10am -12pm. Games, raffles, face painting, police & fire company and food.



ROADS TO BE SEAL COATED/PAVED - 2020

Chip Seal - 1/2" stone

Gockley Road
 Camp Rodgers Road
 Stobers Dam Road
 Indian Run Road
 Whitehall Road
 Hackman Road
 Pleasant View Road
 Pine View Drive
 Hickory Road
 Sandy Hill Road
 High School Road

Paving

Windy Mansion Road
 Pine Street
 Alternate 1: Clearview Drive

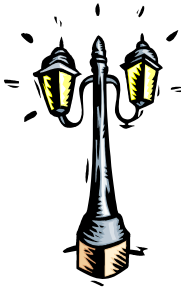




WOODY WASTE DISPOSAL

55 Woodcrest Road
Ephrata, PA 17522

For a small fee, Martin's Mulch will help dispose of your woody waste such as tree branches, shrubs, etc.
You can contact them by calling (717) 733-1602.



STREET LIGHT OUT OR BROKEN?

If you notice a street light outage, please obtain the two pole numbers located at the bottom of the pole, the one begins with a "4" and the other with an "S" and call the township office at (717) 336-8720 with this information. We need this info to report the light outage to PPL.

Thanks for your help!

BURN PERMITS

If you are planning to do open burning of woody yard waste/brush, you will need to pick up a burn permit. Burn permits are only good for a maximum of 30 days. After 30 days, you must obtain a new permit.

Burn Permits are available in the township office Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.



LANDSCAPE REMINDERS

With Spring finally here, please remember when landscaping or planting, do not plant shrubbery, trees, crops or place decorative stones close to the roads.

It's important to stay several feet from the roadway so the flow of traffic or the sight of motorists are not hindered.

Drop Box available after hours

You may drop off:

- Water/Sewer Payments
- Street Light Tax Payments
- Building Permit Applications



The Drop Box is located to the right of the front door.

TREE DONATION

If you would like to donate a tree to one of the township parks in memory of a loved one, please contact the Township Office during regular hours or attend a Park Board Meeting held the 4th Wednesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. in the Township Meeting Room.



TOWNSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings are held monthly in the township meeting room on the following days:

Supervisors:

1st Thursday at 7 p.m.
3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Planning Commission:

2nd Monday at 7 p.m.

Authority

2nd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Zoning Hearing:

2nd Thursday at 7 p.m.

Park Board:

4th Wednesday at 7 p.m.



Please visit the township website for meeting dates, meeting minutes, as well as, park information and community events.

www.westcocalicotownship.com

STREET LIGHT TAX BILL

The 2020 Street Light Tax Bills were mailed on March 1, 2020.

If you normally receive a Street Light Tax Bill but did not this year, please call the township office at (717) 336-8720.



YARD SALES

West Cocalico Township does not require a permit to hold a yard sale.

No yard sale signs are permitted to be nailed, stapled or taped to utility poles.



BEFORE YOU DIG

Safe digging is no accident! If you are installing a fence, deck, or digging for a mailbox post, patio or other excavation project, it is important to:

Know What's Below.
Dial 8-1-1 or 1-800-242-1776 before you dig.



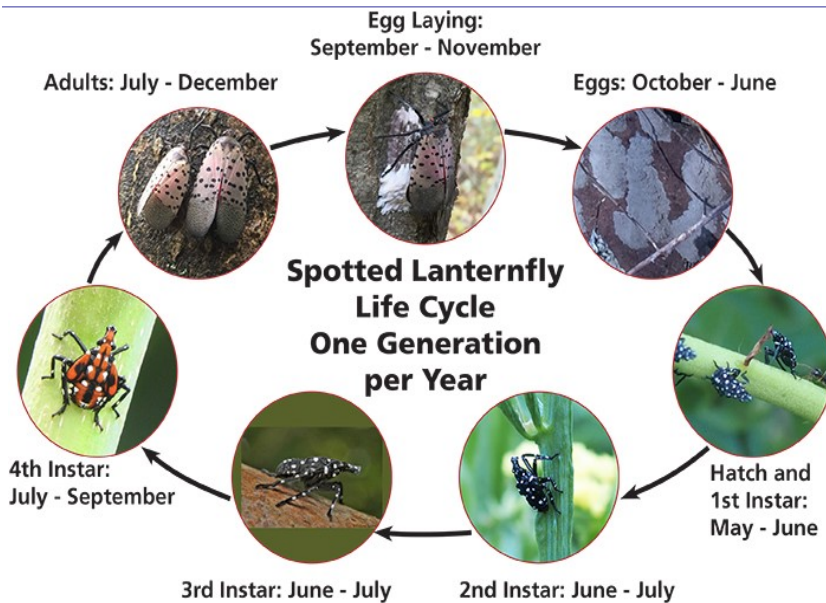
AVAILABLE AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE

The following items are available at the township office for use in recycling:



* Household Battery Collection Bags

* Recycling Bins



PAVILION RENTALS

Anyone may reserve a pavilion in any of the township parks: Chapel Gate Park, Main Street Park or Schoeneck Park. The rental fee is **\$50.00** and is **non-refundable**. Please call the Township Office at (717) 336-8720 to make your reservation.

A rental agreement form **MUST** be signed and submitted with your \$50.00 rental fee to the township office. Forms can be found on the township website or picked up at the Township Office. **Please abide by all the rules listed on Pavilion Rental Agreement Form.**

Schoeneck and Chapel Gate pavilions have a refrigerator. If you are interested in using the area with the refrigerator, **an additional \$50.00 fee will be charged**. This fee is refundable.



For more information visit westcocalicotownship.com

Alcoholic beverages are NOT permitted at any of the township parks.

Renters are responsible for removing all trash from pavilions.

Thank you for adhering to this.

WEST COCALICO WATER AUTHORITY

Water and Sewer bills are mailed quarterly, per the following schedule:

1st Qtr.	Jan/Feb/Mar	by April 15th
2nd Qtr.	Apr/May/June	by July 15th
3rd Qtr.	July/Aug/Sept	by October 15th
4th Qtr.	Oct/Nov/Dec	by January 15th

If you do not receive a bill or have any questions, call the Authority at (717) 336-6265.

Sump Pumps **MAY NOT** be connected to the public sewer system as this overloads the sewer treatment plant.

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY - SUB SALE

Reinholds & Schoeneck Fire Companies will be selling R&K Subs on Tuesday, April 28 at township polling places.



Come Vote and Support Your Local Fire Company.

SWIMMING POOLS, SPAS & WHIRLPOOLS IN-GROUND & ABOVE-GROUND

- ⊗ No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool shall be permitted without a filtering system.
- ⊗ No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool shall be permitted unless it is enclosed by a permanent fence with a self-closing gate which is at least four (4) feet in height and conforms to other requirements listed in Section 1903. This requirement shall not apply to above-ground pools, spas or whirlpools having a wall measuring four (4) feet in height and having a retractable ladder.
- ⊗ No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool shall be within ten (10) feet of any property line.
- ⊗ No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool with a capacity of 10,000 gallons or more shall be constructed or installed unless the Township Engineer has certified that the drainage of such pool, spa or whirlpool is adequate and will not interfere with any domestic water facilities, any sanitary sewage facilities, any streets or any neighboring properties.
- ⊗ No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool may be erected or installed within any required minimum front, side, or rear building setback.
- ⊗ No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool shall be located closer to the front of the lot than the front wall of the principal building.
- ⊗ Swimming pools, spas, or whirlpools shall be secured from unauthorized access by means of a lockable door, gate, cover or similar control device.
- ⊗ No water from a pool shall be discharged onto any public street or alley.
- ⊗ All swimming pool, spa or whirlpool electrical outlets and facilities shall have ground fault devices.
- ⊗ Swimming pools, spas, or whirlpools shall be inspected by a West Cocalico Township Building Inspector. In-ground pools shall require two (2) inspections, a footer/foundation inspection and final electrical inspection.
- ⊗ Pools, spas, or whirlpools shall not be put in use until after the electrical inspection has been completed.
- ⊗ Permit fees shall be based upon the cost of the improvement plus cost for inspections.



GOING AWAY? DON'T WORRY ABOUT A THING!

The Ephrata Police Department will come and check up on your home while you're away as a courtesy to you.

Call Ephrata Police Department
(717) 738-9265



REINHOLDS FIRE COMPANY
138 W. Main Street, Reinholds, PA 17569
(717) 336-7753
www.reinholdsfirecompany.com

Fund Drive - 1st week of March

Sat, June 6 - Pulled Pork Sandwich 11am - 1pm
Includes sandwich, slaw, fries & drink
Advance tickets available; limited amount at the door
Take Out ONLY - Contact any fireman for pre-order

June 26 & 27 - Blue Grass @ Carnival Grounds with Food Stand

Sun, July 26 - Meat Bingo
Doors open at 11:30am; Bingo starts at 1pm.
Winners take home fresh meat

Sat, Sept 5 - Pit Beef Sandwich 11am - 1pm
Includes sandwich, baked beans, fries & drink
Advance tickets available; limited amount at the door
Take Out ONLY - Contact any fireman for pre-order

Sun, Oct 11 - Gift Card Bingo
Doors open at 11:30am; Bingo starts at 1pm

Wed, October 28 - Clam Patty Mix
Contact any fireman for pre-order

Tues, Nov 3 - Election Day Soup & Sub Sale
7am until SOLD OUT.

Banquet Hall Rentals: (717) 336-6266 - leave a message or
email: hallrent18@yahoo.com

*Fundraisers are held at the Reinholds Fire Co. Banquet Hall.

**For more info on events, visit the Reinholds Fire Co. website.

BUILDING PERMIT



Permits **ARE** required for **ALL** construction projects as well as a fence, shed, or a change in use of a property.

Permits **ARE NOT** required for sealing driveways, painting, wall-papering, new flooring, sidewalks, replacement windows, swings, and replacement of siding or roofs (unless there is a structural change)

A representative from Lancaster County Assessment Office **MAY** visit your property within months to a year after the permit is issued by your office.

This is a separate follow-up inspection



The **County and Township Tax Bill (Spring Taxes)** is sent to you by the **County of Lancaster**. Payments are to be made to the Treasurer of Lancaster. If you have questions about your Spring Taxes, please call (717) 299-8222.

Your **School Tax or (Fall Taxes)** is mailed to you by the Cocalico School District. If you have questions, please call the tax office (717) 336-1406.

The West Cocalico Township Office mails the **Street Light Tax** to residents that have a street light on their street. If you have questions, please call (717) 336-8720.

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2020 TAX RATES

REAL ESTATE TAX	1.91 Mills
REALTY TRANSFER TAX	0.005%
EARNED INCOME TAX	0.005%
STREET LIGHTS \$1.56 per street front foot with a 100 foot maximum	



SCHOENECK FIRE COMPANY
125 N. King Street, Denver, PA 17517
(717) 336-6767
www.schoeneckfire.com

Sat, March 21 - All U Can Eat Breakfast
6am - 10am - Cost is by donation

Sat, April 18 - Mud Sale & Quilt Auction
9am - ? - Quilt Auction starts at 11am

Sat, May 2 - Yard Sale 7am - ?
Big John Nolt Chicken BBQ Dinner 9am - SOLD OUT

Sat, May 16 - All U Can Eat Seafood Night
3pm - 7pm
Advance tickets only available until May 9th or sold out
Dine-in Only *No Take-outs*

Sat, July 11 - Gospel Singing
Time TBD

Sat, Oct 10 - Big John Nolt Chicken BBQ dinner
10am - SOLD OUT

Sat, Oct 24 - Soup & Sub Sale
8am - SOLD OUT

Sat, Nov 21 - Craft Show/Bake Sale
8am - 1pm

Banquet Hall Rentals: Contact David High
davidhigh@emvpeople.net

*Fundraisers are held at the Schoeneck Fire Co. Banquet Hall

**For more info on events, visit the Schoeneck Fire Co. website

West Cocalico Township
156B West Main Street
P.O. Box 244
Reinholds, PA 17569
(717) 336-8720

PRESORTED STANDARD
U.S. POSTAGE
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PERMIT No. 15

Township Office

156B West Main Street
PO Box 244
Reinholds, PA 17569
(717) 336-8720

Authority

156B West Main Street
PO Box 95
Reinholds, PA 17569
(717) 336-6265

Township Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Except Holidays

Township Website:

westcocalicotownship.com

Email:

wcocalico@gmail.com

Water/Sewer

Emergency call

Authority's Cell Phone:

(717) 629-7044

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